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The Glorious New York Senatorship

Who Shall It Be—Black or Depew?

The people of New York are supposed to choose a United States Senator to represent them now that Senator Depew's term ends.

The people of New York have about as much to say in the matter as the people of Senegambia or the last of the Incas. Mr. Odell and Mr. Platt are not quite agreed. When they agree—or rather, when Platt gives in to Odell and pretends to be pleased—the people of New York State will know who is to be their Senator.

The two men discussed are Chauncey Depew and Ex-Governor Black. Considering that they are supposed to represent the people, and that the people have no choice in the matter, this newspaper ordinarily would have no choice between them. But, for certain reasons, we are inclined to think that Black will be the next Senator, and, as between him and Depew, we are very much of the opinion that Black is the better man.

It has been truly said, in the first place, that since the Vanderbilts have sold control of the New York Central Railroad, there is no longer a reason for sending Mr. Depew to the Senate—the Vanderbilts really don't need a Senator at present.

And a study of the lives of the two men is decidedly favorable to Black.

While Depew was being made into a rich man—moderately rich—by old William H. Vanderbilt—doing that gentleman's errands in the Albany Legislature, etc.—Black was making his own way in the world.

Mr. Black took his turn as office boy and hard worker. He knocked about with men on terms of equality, without any Vanderbilt pocketbook to push him along. He had the courage to go before the people for their votes—he got their votes and was elected Governor.

Mr. Black does not make a specialty of telling funny stories, but he does THINK—his speeches prove that. He has real mental strength. If he had worked with the right kind of an incentive and the right education, he could have been a great deal of a man. He might yet be really useful to the people, if it were worth his while.

But it is not worth any "level-headed" politician's while to pay attention to the people in these days.

If a man wants to be Governor, he must get Odell or Platt or some Democratic boss to nominate him. If he wants to be Senator, he must get an individual boss to send him to the Senate. The people do nothing for him, and can't do anything for him. Being a practical man, he asks himself why he should do anything for the people.

We don't expect Mr. Black to do any great work for the public when he goes to the United States Senate. But we believe in the election of Senators by the people, and, as between Depew, who could not be elected to anything—unless there were enough Vanderbilts to form a majority in the State—and Black, who actually was elected Governor—we favor Black.

We don't wish to speak unkindly of Mr. Depew, who is an old man, very good natured and very gentle. It is his misfortune that he began and has lived representing private Vanderbilt interests, instead of public interests.

No man knows better than he how foolish it is for an ambitious, able young American to tie himself up to a pocketbook. But, having so tied himself, he must be content with what the pocketbook can give, and not try at the last moment to get the public indorsement, which should not be given to even the most distinguished and faithful of the Vanderbilt employes.

Where a State Might Win

By Going After Financial Crooks, Jury Bribers and Lobbyists

New York State sought the life of a young and indifferent actress on a charge of killing a bookmaker, and the jury failed to acquit or convict.

The case was well conducted by the State. The defence had no money, it is alleged, to bring distant witnesses, to secure copies of transcripts and to defray other legitimate expenses.

The guilt or innocence of the young woman in the case is still an unsettled question. She has been in jail five months. If she is human there is no measure of her mental torture during the suspense of the trial, the denunciation of a bitter prosecutor and the deliberations of a jury.

But the State displayed commendable energy in prosecuting this case. It has won half a victory—which is a defeat.

Another woman was prosecuted for murder in New York last week and acquitted. It was right. A man had sought to destroy her home and happiness.

A child who was held for killing her own child was tried for murder and she was acquitted. The Court commended the jury.

The State makes great effort when women are on trial for their lives. It is well. But the women are seldom convicted.

If the State would go after a certain class of men thieves as hard as it prosecutes women it might have better luck in securing convictions.

Several months ago all forms of stealing and fraud were found in the formation and exploitation of a Shipbuilding Trust.

If the State had pushed this case as hard as it did the cases against the women it might have secured a battalion of convictions.

There are some ugly stories of jury bribing and legislative bribing afloat. They may be true. They may not be.

But if these stories are true the State, by making as great an effort against bribers as it has against life-taking criminals, might get some convictions that would be of great benefit to the community.

There are a lot of thieves doing business south of the New York Postoffice. It would be a great thing if the State could send some of them to Sing Sing and scare the others away.

There is plenty of material in thievedom for law-enforcing officers. It is not picturesque, but its removal would be a fine thing for the community.

THE TREATMENT BY JURIES OF MEN AND WOMEN ACCUSED OF CRIME

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

Mrs. Wilcox propounds the question, "Why is it that judges and juries almost invariably endeavor to acquit a woman criminal, and endeavor with just as much persistence to convict a man accused of crime?"

It was not so with the primal offence which brought death into the world and all our woe. Adam condemned the partner of his guilt. He was his own master and Eve's natural protector. He should have shielded himself from defilement and her from the serpent's beguilement. He should have condoned rather than have condemned.

What was Jesus's way? To men he said: "He that looketh on a woman to lust after her, hath committed adultery with her already." He forbade them to cast a stone at the woman whose guilt was evident. He wrote her charge in the dust, for the next passing foot to obliterate. To herself he said, "Doth no man condemn thee? Neither do I. Go, and sin no more."

Doubtless in God's Judgment Book all our sins are written. But it may be that on some of them the recording angel may drop a tear and blot them out forever.

Manchester, Mass. J. A. TORREY.

CHRISTMAS MORNING

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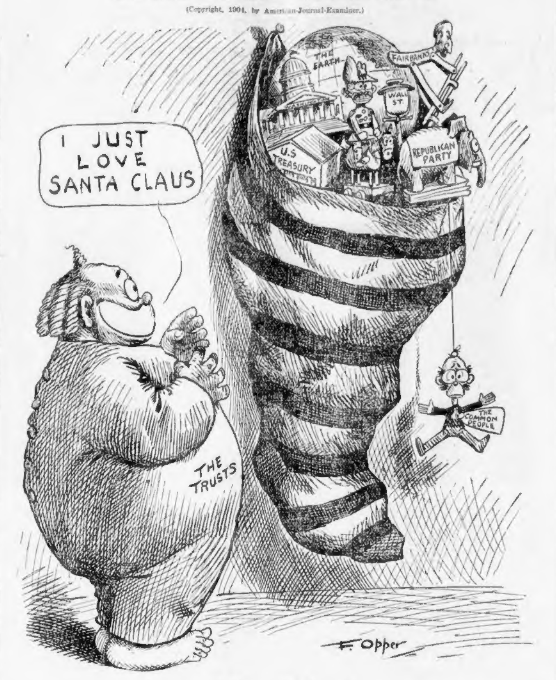

Little Trusty Didn't Get Left

LOUIE AND FRANZ

LOOK FRANZ; DIS MAN HITS DOT LADY!
DONNER-WETTER! DIS MAN' HITS A LADY LOUIE!
1
LET'S MAKE A CHIGGLE-DANCE ON HIS KNECK FRANZ!
WE'LL MAKE MIT HIS FASE A LIBBERWURST LOUIE!
2
WE ARE HERE TO PRODECTION DIS LADY YOU LOAFER! AIND ID FRANZ!
WE HAF CAME TO MAKE A FIGHT-FEST MIT YOUR NOSE!-DON'D ID, LOUIE!
3
4

A Case of Misdirected Chivalry.

MR. E. Z. MARK PURCHASES REAL ESTATE

1—STRANGER—Mr. Mark, your neighbor, Mr. Subbubs, is in hard luck and has decided to sell his house at a great sacrifice. He wishes the matter to be kept as quiet as possible. He has delegated me, his agent, to see if you didn't wish to purchase it.

2—STRANGER—For prompt cash he will sell the house for ten thousand dollars.

MR. E. Z.—TEN THOUSAND! Why, his house is worth every cent of twenty thousand. I can't let a bargain like that slip through my fingers. I'll take it, sir.

3—STRANGER—I congratulate you, sir. Now, if you will pay me five hundred dollars to bind the bargain I will go right ahead with the papers.

MR. E. Z.—Here is the five hundred. Gee whiz! I can make five thousand at least out of that bargain.

4—MR. SUBBUBS—You've bought my house! ME in hard luck! Mark, you are crazy! NO, I never sent an agent to see you. I didn't wish to sell my house. You paid five hundred to bind the bargain! Well, you have been fleeced out of five hundred, that's all.

By The Stenographer

THE MAN WHO GETS THE KIND OF DINNER HE LIKES DOESN'T LEAVE HIS OWN FIRESIDE

"I SEE," said the Stenographer, "that a man has hanged himself up in Maine because his wife's biscuits were bad."

"He probably took the easiest way out," commented the Bookkeeper. "I'd a lot rather hike into the hereafter over the rope route than by the dyspeptic route. It's a cute little noose for mine in preference to the pale-green saleratus biscuit."

"Me, too!" exclaimed the Stenographer. "If I've got to be assassinated I want the fell deed with neatness and dispatch, instead of by the lingering torture of tough steak and soggy bread."

"About the only way you can keep a good cook is to marry her."

"And yet," mused the Bookkeeper, "when it comes to slaying her thousands the cook can give war and pestilence and accidents cards and spades and beat them out of sight in the murder game. If the inscription on the tombstones in the cemeteries told the truth half of them would say: 'Killed by Mother's Pies' or 'The Victim of Wife's Biscuits.'"

"That's so," agreed the Stenographer, "and death isn't the worst of the evil results of bad cooking. If the true co-respondent in half of the divorce cases was named it would be the kitchen range. I never heard yet of a man asking the courts to sever the marital bond that tied him to a woman who knew how to make sauce that didn't taste like bill-stickers' paste and rolls that didn't look like Government ordnance."

"About the only way you can keep a good cook is to marry her," remarked the Bookkeeper.

"That's right," responded the Stenographer, "and as long as a girl can make good on the housekeeping she hasn't got any call to worry over losing hubby's affections. The first time that a man begins to suspect that marriage is a failure, and that he has made a mistake in the choice of a wife, is when he discovers that the woman he has hooked up with is a false alarm as a cook.

"It isn't romantic to think of love's young dream being drowned in greasy gravy, or being cooked to death on tough meat; but it happens. That empty, lonely, aching void that a man feels, and that sends him out on a still hunt for an affinity, is really due to hunger of the stomach instead of heart hunger, and if his wife had properly fed him he wouldn't have experienced the symptoms."

WHAT IS IT YOU WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS DEAR

"If women would spend as much time in appealing to their husband's stomachs as they do to their hearts they would cut out domestic infelicity."

"And that's no joke," replied the Bookkeeper. "I once cured the worst case of blighted affection you ever saw with soda mint tablets. Thought that I was going to pine away with hopeless love, got a grouch against life—regular story-book diagnosis of the faithful-unto-death lover, and then I found out that all that ailed me was my liver."

"The one thing," went on the Stenographer, "that discourages me most about my sex is that it always shies off from the real facts in the case. You can't make a woman look a thing square in the face to save your life. Now just take this housekeeping proposition, for instance.

"Every woman in the world knows that the health of her family depends on what they eat. She knows that the prosperity of the family depends on the intelligence and economy with which she does the marketing. She knows that there is no other one thing on earth so attractive to a man as the thought of coming home at night to a clean, comfortable, peaceful, well-kept house with a good dinner.

"But, knowing all these things, do the majority of women devote themselves to acquiring the science of housekeeping as they would the science of medicine or bookkeeping or manicuring? Not on your life. A woman will study every other book on earth except the cook book. She's willing to die for her family, but she's not willing to hustle around the kitchen and make them comfortable.

"That the majority of women don't know how to cook; that they don't know how to tell good meat from bad, and that they go through life deliberately killing their families with unnutritious, ill-prepared and indigestible food, is the crying crime of civilization."

"If every man felt assured that when he married he was guaranteed a comfortable home, there'd be a rush on the Marriage License Bureau that would swamp it," said the Bookkeeper.

"Well," replied the Stenographer, "I'm wise that if women would spend as much time in appealing to their husband's stomachs as they do to their hearts they would cut out the sad, sad tale of domestic infelicity. A man who gets just the kind of a dinner he likes at home doesn't chase away from his own fireside in the evening. He's too full."

BELLE BLITZ.

Dinkelspiel's Xmasettes

By George V. Hobart.

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NUDING looks so lonesome as a thin present in a fat stocking.

A toy in der tree vas vorth ten in der bush.

It vas more blessed to gif a leather present to der poor den to receive a gold vun from der rich.

A villing Miss vas as goot as a mile of mistletoe.

Nefer look a Christmas gift in der price mark.

It vas a vise son dot shows his own father much consideration yust before Christmas.

At der bargain counter ve should alvays look before ve keep.

It keeps der selfish man busy trying to figure ouid der difference between vot he gifs und vot he gets.

Your Christmas turkey vill taste sveeter if you haf sent a bunch of roast beefs to der poor.

Mit some peoples kindness comes but vunce a year, und it doan'd stay long at dot.

Dem dot haf plenty get plenty, und dem dot doan'd know der meaning of plenty keep on knowing it.

It vas a poor present dot doan'd vork both vayys.

Der voman dot hesitates vas lost in der busy compartment store.

Handsome is as handsome gives.

Doan'd count your presents before dey vas bought.

D. DINKELSPIEL.
Per George V. Hobart.

Little Editorials from the People

POETICAL PRAISE OF THE BOSTON AMERICAN'S COMIC SECTION

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

I send you a little poem, inspired by the unequalled comic section of the BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN:

I love to see poor Fritz and Hans, they're always wideawake;
Dear Alphonse and dear Gaston, they certainly get the cake;
Leander and Lulu, why, they are simply grand,
We must not leave out Maud or she'd kick to beat the band,
You'll laugh until your sides bust,
When you see Happy Hooligan and Gloomy Gus.

Lowell, Mass. J. W. SCOTT.

AGREES WITH MRS. WILCOX IN REGARD TO CRUEL PHASES OF COUNTRY LIFE

Editor BOSTTON AMERICAN:

Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox is certainly right in saying that country life is cruel where the slaughtering of innocent animals and birds is a common occurence.

Sentiments such as hers are what the poor world needs and what the heart craves. It is far better, in poetry or in prose, to appeal to the truly great and lofty souls, whose tears of gladness and gratitude are more eloquent than any applause.

Mrs. Wilcox's "Beggar Cat" was read with rapture, tears and smiles, feeling that a great heart was throbbing in the lines."

"Fight on, thou brave, true heart."

Boston. AN ADMIRER.

CAN SEE NO EXCUSE FOR MRS. ROGERS

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

I saw in your paper a letter from a woman in Waltham crying shame upon the men for carrying out the law in the case of Mrs. Rogers, putting forth the plea of ignorance, asserting that she did not know the difference between right and wrong. I do not see how anyone can put forward such an excuse; even the lowest class of beings know when they do wrong. Can anyone say that her crime would indicate that she was devoid of all sense? Could one so utterly depraved plan and carry out such a henious crime? No. She knew what she was doing and supposed of course it would be taken for a case of suicide. The sentence was what she deserved. B. S. D.

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THE WEATHER.

For Boston and vicinity: Rain or snow, followed by clearing and colder weather to-night; Thursday, fair and much colder; brisk to high westerly winds.

High water: 3:16 a. m.; 3:43 p. m.

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33 FACE DEATH ON WRECKED SHIP

Stranded Drumelzier Pounding to Pieces on Fire Island Shoal, Storm Fury Increasing All Along Coast, and Great Damage Is Inevitable.

The British steamship Drumelzier, aground off Fire Island Bar, with her boilers wrenched from position, was pounding to pieces, and her crew of thirty-three souls doomed to certain destruction, according to a dispatch to the BOSTON AMERICAN this afternoon.

All attempts of the Oak Beach and Fire Island life-saving crews to rescue those on board have been fruitless. The vessel lay so far off shore that it was impossible to shoot a line over her, and the mountainous surf prevented the launching of a lifeboat. The steamship signalled, during a rift in the fog, that her boilers had broken loose and were lashing about in her waist, threatening to rend her asunder.

Another big steamship, name not ascertained, was driven ashore off Quogue, L. I., according to dispatches to the BOSTON AMERICAN, but managed to back off without assistance, although flying distress signals.

DREAD ALONG THE COAST.

The increasing fury of the storm has caused dread along the New England coast. Already many wrecks have occurred, several lives lost, and untold damage done to property on the coast and inland, besides paralyzing railroad and steamship traffic.

There have been no steamship arrivals during the past twenty-four hours, and it is thought along the water front that many must be tied up outside Boston Light. None have been reported along the coast, and the captains are probably floundering about, awaiting an opportunity to come into the harbor.

The ferry boats at the North Ferry are running on twenty-minute schedule, and at the South Ferry as frequently as it is possible. From fifteen minutes to half an hour is consumed in making the trip across. It is impossible for the pilots to see more than 100 yards, and it is necessary to proceed cautiously for fear of smashing into the ferry slips.

FOG IS INCREASING.

Colonel G. Berber, manager of the Boston Towboat Company, said:

"It is certainly the thickest fog which we have ever experienced, and it is increasing hourly. It is impossible to make any headway on the water, and none of our boats are attempting to make trips. At the present time there are thirty-seven different fishing craft tied up between T wharf

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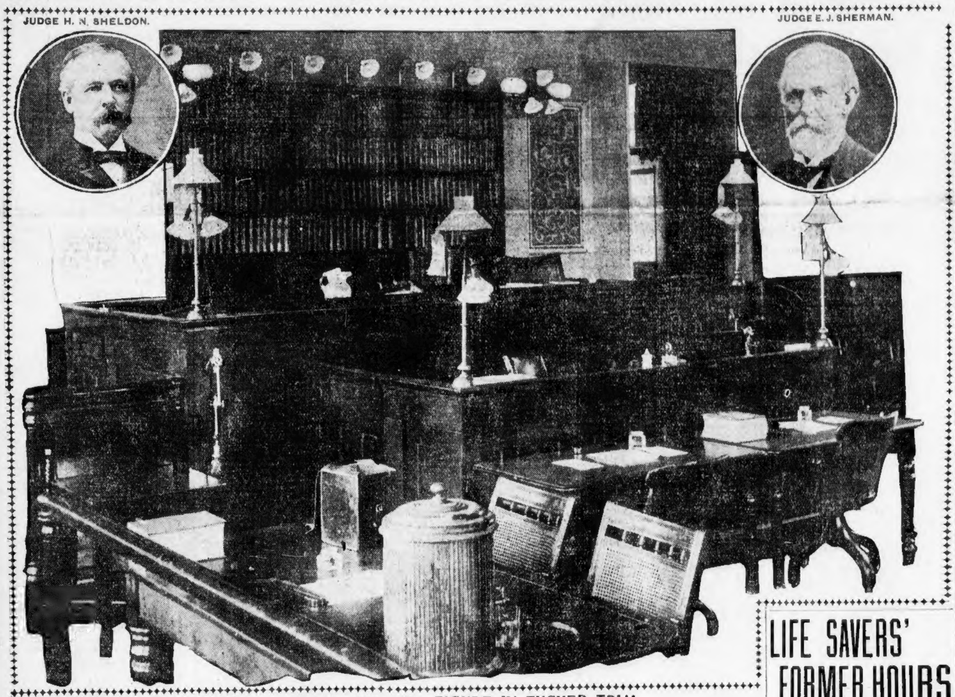
LAWYERS PLAN BATTLE ON TUCKER



COURTROOM AND JUDGES WHO WILL FIGURE IN TUCKER TRIAL.

Counsel for Prosecution To-day in Conference to Lay Out Plans for Trial.

Attorney General Herbert Parker, District Attorney George A. Sanderson and Assistant District Attorney Hugh Bancroft held a conference to-day at which the plan of the prosecution of Charles Louis Tucker for the alleged murder of Mabel Page was discussed in detail.

The order in which the testimony to be presented against the young man will be given was decided upon. One of the important points that was probably discussed was the expert in handwriting.

The State has six experts and the defence the same number. It is believed that the judges will attempt to have some of the witnesses to be called on this phase of the case eliminated, if a mutual agreement can be made to this effect. If this should be done it would be to save time in the trial of the case.

State Case Complete.

The case of the State, it may be said, is completed so far as the collection of evidence is concerned. The witnesses to appear for the prosecution are being served with subpoenas this week. The State is said to have several new witnesses whose names have not been mentioned in connection with the case.

These witnesses, it is said, will add to the circumstantial chain that Attorney General Parker has been forging with which he expects to fasten the crime upon Tucker.

The lawyers for the defence have also practically completed their case and are ready for the beginning of the trial. They are now greatly interested in the make up of the jury.

For several days Messrs. Vahey, Innes and Mansfield, Tucker's attorneys, have had in their possession a list of the 200 men from whom the jury will be drawn, if possible. It is confidently expected that the twelve men to pass upon the guilt or innocence of the prisoner will be chosen before the list of talesmen are exhausted.

Representatives of both the office of the district attorney and that of Tucker's lawyers have carefully investigated every man whose name appears in the list. As a result of the inquiry it is declared that the talesmen comprise a good representation of the citizenship of Middlesex county.

The men selected represent nearly every occupation in New England. There are more farmers than any other class. There is one minister and one police officer in the list. The names of several men who have retired from business appear.

Two From Scene of Tragedy.

The names of two men appear in the list from Weston, the home of the Page family. The men are Alfred H. Garfield and Augustus M. Upham. Mr. Garfield is a farmer at Kendal Green, which is a part of Weston. He is a middle-aged man and is regarded as a substantial citizen of that neighborhood. Mr. Upham is more

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MORPHINE OVER-DOSE KILLS RICH BOSTONIAN

WIFE OF ORESTEG WEED, FORMER SOCIETY BEAUTY, NEARLY PROSTRATED BY NEWS.

An overdose of morphine, taken in a spirit of bravado after a Christmas holiday spree, caused the death of Orestez A. Weed, a brother-in-law of former Governor William Sprague, of Rhode Island, in Bellevue Hospital to-day.

Weed's companion, Bernard Reilly, of Springfield, Mass., with whom he was staying at the Grand Union Hotel in New York, also took the poison, and is reported to be dying in Bellevue Hospital to-day. The beautiful widow of young Weed, formerly Katherine A. De Roulhac, a noted society beauty, is prostrated with grief at her apartments in the Empire, No. 1,471 Beacon street, Brookline.

She has made arrangements to leave for New York, and telephoned to Mrs. Sprague to meet her at New London and accompany her to that city. Mrs. Weed's sister, Miss Emily De Roulhac, resides at No. 60 West Tenth street, New York.

Dead Man Was Wealthy.

Weed was wealthy, but was employed by the Nathaniel Tufts Meter Company at No. 8 Medford street. In January, 1903, he eloped from Narragansett Pier, where his sister owns Canonchet Villa, with Miss De Roulhac. They went to Providence, accompanied by the bride's sister and John R. Taft, of Providence, and were married.

They have two children, one a baby five weeks old. Another sister of Mr. Weed is the widow of Garrett Wheaton, a Standard Oil millionaire, whom she married in Washington, and whose large fortune she inherited at his death three years ago.

Weed went to New York with Reilly, a

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LIFE SAVERS' FORMER HOURS ARE RESTORED

Objections to New System Caused District Superintendent to Rescind Order.

Owing to the strong opposition of many of the life-savers of this district to the order which went into effect December 15, reducing the watches at the various stations along the Massachusetts coast from four to three hours, District Superintendent S. L. Kimball will issue a general order to-morrow, restoring the former hours. Thirty-two life-saving stations will be affected by this change.

The order reducing the watches from four to three hours was rescinded yesterday at the Hull life-saving station at Point Allerton, and it was said at the office of the inspector of the stations in this district today that District Superintendent Kimball is in Boston working on a new schedule for all the stations to-day, and that the old hours will be in force to-morrow. A new watch, known as the "station watch," has been created. This watch provides for a man to be on duty every four hours from sunset to sunrise to care for each station.

NEW YORK CENTRAL TO ENTER BAY STATE

NEPAUG, Conn., Dec. 28. Thirteen civil engineers of the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad are surveying a proposed double track line for that road, between Brewster, N. Y., and Springfield, Mass

WOBURN NEEDS MORE SCHOOLS

Asking for more room for pupils because of the congested condition of several schools in the central section of Woburn, Superintendent Clapp of that city in his annual report tells of the urgent need of more buildings, and especially a new high school edifice. Mr. Clapp states that the total enrollment is 2,973 and that the average expenditure is $20.64. The average in the State is $27.30.

O'TOOLE MAY RECOVER.

Thomas O'Toole, of Brighton, assistant station agent at Jamaica Plain, who was struck by an engine Tuesday night, is today expected to recover.

ZEMSTVO QUITS 'DEEPLY MOVED'

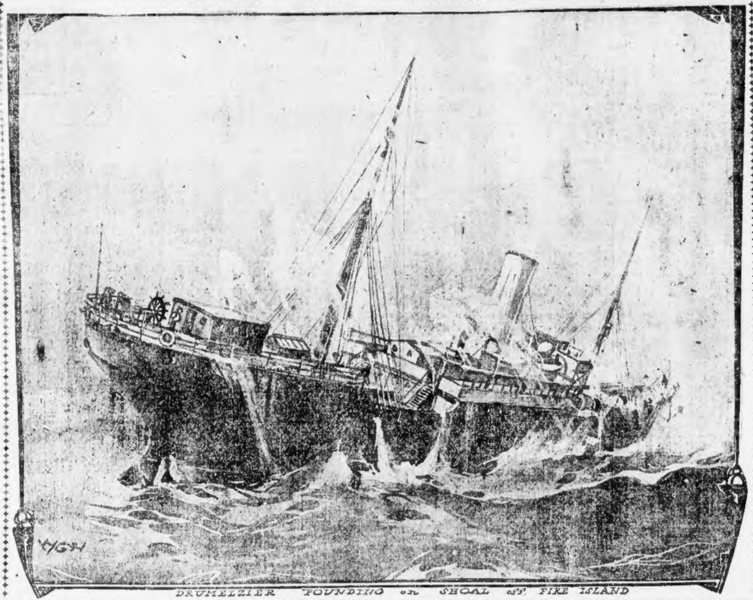
MOSCOW Dec. 28.—The Zemstvo has adjourned indefinitely, after the adoption of a resolution as follows:

"This Zemstvo, deeply moved by the government's note in regard to proceedings at Zemstvo meetings, is unable to continue its business with the necessary calm and therefore adjourns sine die."

The resolution was signed by thirty-four delegates. Seven delegates voted against it.

A minority statement signed by thirteen members condemned the address to the Czar, protesting against the proposal to limit the powers of the autocracy.

BOILERS LOOSE, SMASHING STRANDED SHIP TO PIECES; 33 MEN HELPLESS IN STORM'S GRIP


DRUMELZIER FOUNDING ON SHOAL OFF FIRE ISLAND

CREW OF THE STRANDED STEAMSHIP IS BELIEVED TO BE DOOMED.

LIVES LOST AND DAMAGE GREAT OVER COUNTRY

Shipping Tied Up and Vessels Late Cause Much Uneasiness.

STEAMERS OVERDUE HERE

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and Commercial wharf, a distance of a little over a quarter of a mile, all waiting for an opportunity to get out. All are ready to start. Some of them attempted to get away, but were driven in by the fog."

Captain "Bill" Doyle of the fishing schooner Matchless, the only boat which has arrived during the past twenty-four hours, said:

"It was the fiercest storm I have ever been in, and the fog was so thick we couldn't see ahead of us. We couldn't make any progress, but managed to get one of the Ross Towboat Company's tugs to pull us in."

THE SEABOARD DELAYED.

The Joy line steamship Seaboard, which was supposed to have left New York yesterday and was due in Boston to-day, has not yet arrived. She has twelve passengers on board. At the office of the company, No. 308 Congress street, the local agent said that he had heard nothing of her along the coast. It is thought she is probably proceeding slowly.

Steamer Penobscot, of the Bangor line of the Eastern Steamship Company, which left Bangor yesterday and put into Portland, left the latter port and has not yet been reported. The steamer Bay State, of the Portland division of the same company, which left Portland at 4:40 yesterday afternoon, has not yet been reported. Both boats carry a large number of passengers. The Portland steamer did not sail from Boston yesterday on account of the storm.

The reports received at the local weather bureau to-day indicate that New England and the St. Lawrence Valley are the centre of the storm that has been creating havoc in the West.

SNOW IN GREAT AREA.

Rain and snow are falling throughout the New England States and west to Chicago. The amounts of rain and snow are particularly heavy over the lower part of Maine, Massachusetts and Connecticut, and heavy gales are blowing along the coast.

The highest velocity reached by the wind during the night was fifty-two miles an hour, and to-day it had abated to twenty-eight miles. At Block Island the gale reached a velocity of thirty-eight miles.

The weather was clear over other parts of the country so far as the early reports to-day show. The temperature is below the freezing point as far south as Galveston, Texas.

The cold wave is coming East. At Buffalo and Chicago, where the temperature yesterday was in the fifties, to-day it is below the freezing point.

BUT FEW WASHOUTS.

The railroads were prepared to have considerable trouble as a result of the storm, but few washouts have been reported, and the general traffic has been but little impeded. Slippery rails and heavy wires have been experienced and the general service has been somewhat retarded, but withal the railroad officials are good natured.

At both the North and South Stations a heavy fog settled last night and trains came and departed at snail pace, the engineers not being able to discern objects more than thirty feet ahead. The fog to-day is modified, but the utmost care is being exercised to avert collisions. Local traffic has been maintained fairly well, but long distance connections have been bad.

The storm's worst damage has been to the telegraph companies. Many wires were broken, and the service impaired. Gangs have been rushed out to-day to repair and restring broken wires.

Great fear is felt here for the safety of three vessels, two of which are owned in Boston. They are the five-masted schooner Singleton Palmer, the three-masted schooner Viator and the three-master Lizzie Babcock.

Nothing has been heard from the Singleton Palmer since December 6, when she left for Newport News, commanded by Captain Potter. The Viator has not been heard from since she sailed from Turk's Island November 23 for Baltimore. The Babcock left Baltimore November 3 with a cargo of coal for Cardenas, Cuba. It is thought she was lost in the hurricane off the Florida coast.

The Singleton Palmer is owned by W. F. Palmer of this city and is valued at $120,000. Flitner, Atwood & Co. own the Viator. The Babcock is owned by P. B. Reed of Somer's Point, N. J.

In the West the blizzard has been very severe. The winds in Chicago have reached the velocity of seventy-two miles an hour. The cold has been intense. Railroad and street car service has been tied up. Telegraph and telephone wires have not been working for several days.

In Pittsburg the wind raced at forty-two miles an hour and business was seriously interfered with. In the North and East rivers at New York there were frequent collisions of the ferry boats, but no lives were lost.

At Stamford, Ct., because of the dense fog, a westbound Boston express crashed into a westbound accommodation train in front of the depot, and Conductor George Howland, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., an instructing conductor on the accommodation train, was crushed to death between the two rear cars.

When the express hove in sight the rear brakeman of the accommodation signalled the engineer to stop, leaped from the accommodation train and ran back a torpedo. He was able to get but 230 feet from the accommodation. He placed the torpedo on the track and leaped aside as the express swept by. But for his action there would have been a great loss of life.

Nearly all the local boats were stalled here last night and to-day none of the captains having the temerity to venture out under the existing conditions.

The steamer Boston for Yarmouth was the last vessel to leave port, and she passed safely out to sea before it shut in thick. Steamer Catalone for Louisburg started down from her discharging berth, but the pilot deemed it imprudent to undertake to navigate the vessel out, and she anchored in the harbor.

Steamer Nantucket, for Norfolk and Baltimore; Indian, for Philadelphia; H. F. Dimock and Old Dominion, for New York, and the Governor Dingley, for Portland, were all fog-bound. Several tugs and a number of sailing ships were also held up by the weather conditions.

DENSE FOG AT SEA.

From all the marine observatories below came reports of dense, impenetrable fog. At Highland Light a southeasterly gale was blowing, with a very heavy fog, while at Chatham the conditions were about the same.

At the main office of the New England Telephone Company it was stated that so far no difficulty had been experienced from the storm. The telegraph companies, however, were considerably hampered between Boston and New York, the wires being slow. Neither the Postal nor the Western Union reported many wires down.

The chief operator of the Western Union reported wires working to Chicago, New York and Philadelphia, and in the East the wire to St. John's and also to Montreal. Practically the same report was made by the Postal Telegraph Company. Business was considerably delayed, however, by the storm, and sending and receiving messages was slow work.

The following comprehensive storm summary and weather forecast was sent out by the Washington bureau.

"The Mississippi Valley storm has moved northeastward to Lake Huron, increasing in intensity.

"It has spread eastward and embraced almost the whole of the northeast districts in its influences. High southwest winds, ranging from seventy-two miles per hour at Chicago to forty-two at Pittsburg, have attended its northeastward movement. In the Middle West heavy snow has fallen and the temperatures have fallen to zero and below in Nebraska and South Dakota. The temperature is unusually high in Atlantic Coast districts and dense fog prevails from Northern Virginia to New England.

"The western cold wave will advance into Atlantic Coast districts Wednesday. It will be attended by fair weather except in the upper Ohio valley, lower lake region and New England, where snow is indicated. Snow will continue in those districts Thursday.

"The winds along the New England coast will be high west to southwest; on the Middle Atlantic high southwest, becoming northwest.

"Steamers departing Wednesday for European ports will have brisk to high southwest to west winds and snow to the Grand Banks."

FOG
RAIN
SNOW
ICE
A POUSSE-CAFE OF BOSTON WEATHER

One Day's Weather in Boston.

SINKING VESSEL REACHES PORTLAND AND CREW IS SAVED

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 28.—Schooner Mary G. Powers of Gloucester, Captain Gus Steele, has arrived in this port and was placed on the marine railway just as she was about to go down, after one of the most perilous runs on record.

While fishing forty miles off this port a huge wave struck her amidships, carrying away her steering gear, washing overboard all her lifeboats, opening every seam, and leaving her with shattered rigging and fast filling hold drifting about in the trough of a heavy sea.

All day the crew of twenty-two men took turns at the pumps, while a jury steering gear was rigged up. By the end of the day it was found the schooner had drifted further out to sea, and that her hold was slowly filling in spite of the constant work at the pumps.

With the jury steering apparatus the disabled schooner was finally sailed into this port. Upon her arrival her hold was full, she had settled to the gunwales, and within a few hours she would have gone down.

VAST LOSSES BY STORM IN CITIES OF THE NORTHWEST

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—One of the most severe storms of recent years was that which raged between the Rocky Mountains and the great lakes, causing trouble to street car, railroad and telegraph companies. The latter were the greatest sufferers, for the blizzard was preceded by a heavy fog and drizzling rain, which made the wires almost unworkable.

The intense cold and terrific gale that followed close upon the fog coated the wires with ice, and later threw poles to the ground. Railroad trains were badly delayed all through the West, some of them being twenty-four hours' late. Street car traffic was practically at a standstill.

In its extent the storm was the most widespread of any in fifteen years. Counting the fog as a component part, the storm stretched from the Rocky Mountains to New York and from Winnipeg to New Orleans. Three fatalities were reported in this vicinity.

It will be several days before normal conditions are restored throughout the entire section. Reports from Kansas City were that the storm was accompanied by high winds and snow, which on level would have been about one foot in depth. It was drifted so badly by the gale, however, that in nearly all the cities of Nebraska, Kansas and western Missouri street car traffic was at a standstill.

The telegraph wires were down in all directions, and it was with great difficulty that communication between West and Northwest was kept up.

SEAMEN INTERESTED IN FATE OF MARINE "FREAK" BOAT URAD

Seafaring men are wondering how the strange Norwegian lifeboat Urad fared in the gale which has been sweeping the North Atlantic coast for more than twenty-four hours. The Urad, bound for Boston, was sighted on Monday last while about 200 miles east of Boston light by the steamer Winifredian. It was pleasant weather then and the two men who manned the queer looking craft shouted in reply to a friendly hail that they were well and wished to be reported safe.

The Urad sailed from Aalesund, Norway, for New York several weeks ago. She put into St. Johns, Newfoundland, last week, and after replenishing stores resumed her voyage for the United States.

The Urad is a marine freak. She is commanded by Captain Barude, the inventor. He started across the Atlantic in the stormy season to prove the practicability of his little ship as a lifeboat. The Urad is an iron whale-back craft with turret and manhole. Its motive power is a big sail.

TO DEPORT 15 SHILOH BOUND IMMIGRANTS

Scots Come Over to Join "Community" Where They Would Not Have to Work.

MUST GO HOME AGAIN.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Fifteen immigrants from Glasgow, Scotland, bound for the "Community of the Kingdom," at Shiloh, Me., will be deported on the steamer Mongolian, on which they came here. They had only a few dollars, and when they were questioned it was found that they did not expect to work in the "community."

There are three families and one single man in the party. They were members of a church at Glasgow which was organized by missionaries for the "Community of the Kingdom." There were seventeen members of the church.

According to the immigrants, the stories told them by the missionaries had no references to work, but taught them to believe that in the "community" they would lead the true spiritual life. The heads of the three families threw up their occupations and sold their tools, realizing enough for the steamship tickets and $46.50 over.

The immigration authorities were convinced that the members of the party were likely to become public charges, and a decision from the department at Washington sustained them.

TO INVESTIGATE PARKER'S DEATH

Special to the Boston American.

LYNN, Dec. 28.—The suspicions of District Attorney W. Scott Peters that Horace Parker, found drowned on Lynn Beach, did not come to his death through an accident, seem to have been well founded. The report of the medical examiner at the time was received and the body buried.

At the request of the District Attorney it was exhumed and another autopsy performed, with the result that Detective Dunham has been placed in charge of detectives to commence an investigation.

Parker's body was found on the beach on December 13 and the medical examiner reported death due to drowning.

WOMEN ACTIVE IN THE TUNNEL CELEBRATION

Many of Them Will Be Privileged to Ride on First Trip Through New Tunnel.

EAST BOSTON'S GALA EVENT

The women of East Boston are taking an active part in the plans for the tunnel celebration to-morrow, and many of them, it is expected, will be among those to make the first trip through the tunnel. Ten cars have been provided by General Bancroft for the accommodation of the party, and the Citizens' Committee has decided that any person holding a ticket for the banquet in the evening will be entitled to a ride on the cars. A number of the wives and daughters of members of the committee have already signified their intention of making the trip.

The cars will leave Central square at 6 o'clock. The invited guests will be met at the Old State House station. A band of music will accompany the party, and on the return trip fireworks will be set off at Maverick square as the cars emerge from the tunnel.

The party will then proceed to Masonic Hall, where more than 500 covers will be laid for the banquet planned as the climax of the celebration. The Hon. Joseph B. Maccabe will act as toastmaster, and the principal speakers will be Governor Bates, Mayor Collins, Chairman William McKie of the Citizens' Committee, Chairman Crocker of the Boston Transit Commission and General William A. Bancroft, president of the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

The tunnel will be open to the public Friday morning.

GRIEF CAUSED WOMAN'S DEATH

Mary Osborne, forty-five, wife of Harry Osborne, a bartender, of No. 259 Everett street, East Boston, whose body was found off Herrick's Wharf, East Boston, last Thursday, is supposed to have killed herself through grief.

Mary Hurley worked up to two years ago as a chambermaid in the American House, East Boston. There she met Osborne and married him soon afterward. Osborne got interested in an invention and bought it. The investment was not a good one and he became discouraged.

Mrs. Osborne's health had been impaired of late, and this, coupled with the fact of her husband's misfortunes, is ascribed by friends as the cause of her unfortunate ending.

PROSECUTION OF TUCKER IS BEING PLANNED TO-DAY

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prominent in Weston affairs because of his position as road commissioner. He is about fifty years of age, is married and has a family.

The minister on the list of talesmen is the Rev. W. W. Nason, whose home is at Billerica. The Rev. Mr. Nason has retired from the ministry. He formerly preached in the town in which he lives. He is married and has a family of children.

George M. Foster, a police officer at Natick, stands a chance of serving on the jury. Should he not care to serve he would be excused because of his occupation. It is very probable that he would be peremptorily challenged by the defence, as they would probably not care to have a policeman on the jury.

The names of many prominent business men appear in the panel. Some of them follow:

Cambridge Contractor.

George A. Dillingham is a general contractor. He is married and resides at No. 13 Pleasant street, Cambridge. His business is located in Boston. Nathan L. Chaffin is a retired merchant. His residence is at Arlington. Charles G. Green is the financial agent of a Boston concern and resides at No. 71 Washington avenue, Cambridge. John J. Lane is the proprietor of a shoe store at No. 2068 Massachusetts avenue, Cambridge, and boards at No. 52 Rice street, in that city.

Daniel J. Madden is a shoe dealer. His store is at No. 645 Cambridge street, Cambridge, and he boards at No. 1426 of the same thoroughfare. Augustus A. Coburn is a resident of Ashland. He is the owner of a prosperous dry goods store. William H. Bradbury is a wool importer. His residence is at Cambridge, and his office in Boston.

Fletcher Roble is a dealer in leather. He lives at No. 2 Highland terrace, Newton. Frank A. Johnson is a foreman in a manufacturing establishment. His home is at Newton Lower Mills. Fred W. Emerson is a salesman. His residence is at Newton Highlands. Nelson G. Cooley is the manager of a mercantile establishment at No. 38 Pearl street. He lives at Auburndale.

It is believed by the attorneys connected with the case that the jury will be selected within two days. Each side will have twenty-two peremptory challenges. As the trial is expected to last five or six weeks the ordeal of serving through it will be unusually severe.

During the trial no juror will be allowed to visit his home, talk to any person outside of their own number or read a newspaper except with the permission of the court. The pay of the jurors is $3 a day and their expenses. Sheriff Fairbairn will board them at the Mansion House in East Cambridge, and lodge them in the court house, where they will be locked up at night.

Pleased With Panel.

"The list of talesmen is an excellent one," said one of the lawyers for the defence. "I do not think that there will be any unusual delay in the selection of the jury. The men we have found to be good representatives of the citizenship of the county.

"We are confident that we have the evidence that will demonstrate conclusively that Tucker never committed that crime. We have evidence that has not been made public and we shall not make it public until it is told on the witness stand.

"We are expecting a hard legal fight and have prepared for it. The expert testimony will be one of the most important features of the case."

TALESMEN IN PANEL FOR TUCKER TRIAL

ASHLAND.

COBURN, AUGUSTUS A., dry goods dealer.
METCALF, CHARLES O., carpenter.

ARLINGTON.

CHAFFIN, NATHAN L., retired.
JOHNSON, CLARENCE E., fruit and produce dealer.

ASHBY.

HAYWARD, ALBERT L., farmer.
HUBBARD, EDWIN A., undertaker.

ACTON.

BURROUGHS, SAMUEL R., barber.
KINGSLEY, WILLIAM H., stonemason.

AYER.

BEVERLY, HOWARD M., clerk.
RYAN, THOMAS F., tinsmith.

BEDFORD.

HARTFORD, WILLIAM G., wood dealer.
NORTON, MASON T., farmer.

BELMONT.

HILL, AMOS E., farmer.

BILLERICA.

NASON, W. W., clergyman.
TWOMBLY, EDGAR F., farmer.

BOXBORO.

FURBUSH, WILLIAM H., farmer.
WHITCOMB, RALPH E., farmer.

BURLINGTON.

PATTERSON, JAMES, farmer.
WINN, JOSEPH F., coal dealer.

CAMBRIDGE.

BRADBURY, WILLIAM H., broker.
DILLINGHAM, GEORGE A., contractor.
SMITH, THOMAS C., cutlery.
AMEE, JOHN, stationery dealer, Harvard square.
BLAZER, FRANK J., baker.
CONLEY, HUGH Y., clerk, No. 107 Garden street.
FEARS, FRANCIS A., printer, No. 19 Hillside avenue.
CABOT, GODFREY L., manufacturer, No. 16 Highland street.
CURRAN, JEREMIAH F., shoemaker, No. 149 Norfolk street.
BATES, EDWARD F., collector, No. 23 Norfolk street.
DIEHL, JOHN P., rubber shop, No. 60 Harvard street.
GALLAGHER, EDWARD, shipper, No. 377 Windsor street.
PRICE, J. EDWIN, real estate, No. 118 Thorndike street.
MULHAREN, CHARLES G., carpenter, No. 23 Hunting street.
WHITNEY, EDWARD H., superintendent, No. 130 Magazine street.
CONROY, THOMAS, real estate, No. 536 Cambridge street.
DALY, THOMAS L., clerk, No. 430 Windsor street.
CUMMINGS, CHARLES P., pianos, No. 8 Walnut avenue.
DESMOND, TIMOTHY, fruit, No. 883 Cambridge street.
GELDERT, EDWARD B., No. 69 Belmont street.
GLASER, FRANK, baker, No. 307 Vine street.
GLIDDEN, ARNOLD W., printer.
GOLDSMITH, WILLIAM H., bookbinder.
REEN, CHARLES G., financial agent.
LANE, JOHN, shoe dealer, No. 52 Rice street.
MADDEN, DANIEL J., shoe dealer.
McGOWAN, JAMES P., agent.
NORMAN, ALBERT F., piano auctioneer.
SARGENT, HORACE B., janitor.
TUFTS, FRANK J., jeweller.

CARLISLE.

GEROW, GEORGE W., wood dealer.
MELVIN, JOHN, upholsterer.

CHELMSFORD.

MURRAY, THOMAS H., plumber.
WARREN, ARTHUR M., insurance agent.

CONCORD.

WILSON, ARTHUR B., farmer.
WILSON, JAMES S., farmer.

DRACUT.

COLBURN, CHESTER B., farmer.
MANSUR, JOHN J., farmer.

DUNSTABLE.

TULLY, CHARLES E., farmer.
WOODWARD, JAMES H., farmer.

EVERETT.

ADAMS, FRANK N., clerk.
ANDERSON, CHRISTIAN A., grocer.
ANDERSON, AUGUST, clerk.
MOORE, FRANK, cutter.
TISDALE, HOLLIAH L., clerk.
EUSTIS, JAMES F., shoe cutter.

FRAMINGHAM.

BURNS, DANIEL J., clerk.
ESTES, HARRY W., clerk.
HOLBROOK, JOHN W., farmer.
RAYMOND, D. J. C., clerk.

GROTON.

MANSUR, I. MELVIN, retired.
SPAULDING, HEZZLE, carpenter.

HOLLISTON.

BAKER, JOHN, shoemaker.
SUPPLE, WILLIAM N., shoemaker.

HOPKINTON.

PERRY, GEORGE E., farmer.
WOODS, MARCUS M., mechanic.

HUDSON.

BARNARD, CHARLES F., farmer.
LYNCH, THOMAS E., currier.

LEXINGTON.

HADLEY, GILBERT P., tinsmith.
LOCKE, FRANCIS E., retired.

LINCOLN.

BANNON, EDWARD, gardener.
HART, JOSEPH S., doctor.

LITTLETON.

HOPKINS, ALBERT E., farmer.
FLAGG, CLIFTON E., farmer.

LOWELL.

DELISLE, ELIE, furniture dealer.
FLANDERS, ALBERT L., gas company.
GILL, HOMER J., clerk.
LIVINGSTON, EPHRAIM D., printer.
LYMAN, EDWARD, engineer.
MURPHY, JOSEPH F., laborer.
McLAUGHLIN, FRANK A., plumber.
MURNINGHAM, JOHN, merchant.
SIMONDS, FRANK J., editor.
UNDERWOOD, GEORGE H., spinner.
POORE, FRANK A., machinist.
WILDER, WILLIAM F., merchant.
BROWN, WILLIAM H., grocer.
BELLANGER, CLOVIS, publisher.
PARKER, PRESCOTT R., clerk.

MALDEN.

BURNS, EDWARD W., hat designer.
BLAKESLEE, HENRY, shipper.
DAMON, FRANKLIN B., oil dealer.
FULLER, HENRY L., carpenter.
GROF, JOHN M., rubber worker.
HYDE, CHARLES H., travelling salesman.

MARLBORO.

CHILDS, KELLOGG D., baker.
HARTNETT, DANIEL, shoemaker.
MARTEL, EDWARD, shoemaker.
McGEE, MICHAEL, shoemaker.
SIMONDS, URIEL C., shoemaker.
MARTIN, JOHN P., laundryman.

MAYNARD.

HENDERSON, EDWARD, dealer in coal and wood.
WALL, JOHN, retired.

MEDFORD.

BALLOU, HARRY B., produce dealer, No. 42 Water street.
CHILD, WILLIAM S., clerk, No. 67 Washington street.
WARD, MICHAEL M., plumber, No. 380 Riverside avenue.

MELROSE.

BARTON, CHARLES J., salesman.
FRENCH, ALFRED H., reporter.
HITCHINS, J. SIDNEY, salesman.
LOVEJOY, BERTRAM E., real estate.

NATICK.

FOSTER, GEORGE M., police officer.
LUCEY, CORNELIUS W., laborer.

NEWTON.

COOLEY, NELSON G., merchant, No. 383 Central street.
EMERSON, FREDERICK W., salesman, No. 1 Bowdoin street.
JOHNSON, FRANK A., foreman, No. 574 Grove street.
ROBIE, FLETCHER, leather, No. 2 Highland terrace.

PEPPERELL.

BOLLES, CHARLES M., painter.
PARKER, WINSLOW S., farmer.

NORTH READING.

UPTON, LOUIS E., farmer.

READING.

BATCHELDER, ARTHUR M., farmer.
EAMES, HORACE M., laborer.
EAMES, LEONARD T., electrician.
PARKER, HARRISON W., organ pipe maker.

SHERBORN.

BARBER, ELIJAH C., farmer.
GOULDING, GEORGE H., farmer.

SHIRLEY.

FLYNN, WILLIAM J., weaver.
HOLDEN, GEORGE, farmer.

SOMERVILLE.

SCHICK, JACOB, cabinet maker.
STEVENS, JOHN E., painter.
STORY, ORVILLE L., scenic artist.
DANIELS, HARRY F., clerk, No. 21 Munroe street.
HOLDEN, GEORGE W., market gardener, No. 97 Curtis street.
SMITH, WILLIAM H., printer, No. 39 Irving street.
WHITE, HENRY F., foreman, No. 18 Grant street.
FERGUSON, CHARLES H., foreman, No. 25 Hudson street.
TOWE, HENRY A., moulder, No. 41 Webster street.
CANN, ALBERT T., restaurant keeper, No. 38 Craigie street.
EVANS, HENRY, teamster, No. 13 Linden street.
PORTER, JOHN E., draughtsman, No. 50 Flint street.
CULLIS, EDWIN J., clerk, No. 201 Pearl street.
BEAN, GEORGE D., bookkeeper, No. 130 Lowell street.
BRASTOW, GEORGE K., clerk, No. 162 Summer street.
FARG, PETER, hardware manufacturer, No. 52 Park street.
HALLETT, WARREN, carpenter, No. 158 Walnut street.
LAWSON, GEORGE W., carpenter, No. 2 Lawson terrace.
McCARTY, WILLIAM J., contractor, No. 154 Walnut street.
McPHERSON, JOHN, commission merchant, No. 8 Grand View avenue.
WALKER, EDWIN P., superintendent, No. 11 Bigelow street.
SIMMONS, WALTER R., No. 8 Ellsworth street.

STONEHAM.

ANDERSON, CHARLES H., shoemaker.
MOULTON, JOSEPH A., shoe cutter.
WEBBER, OLIVER P., retired.

STOW.

SCOTT, THOMAS F., painter.
PARKS, LEWIS, farmer, retired.

SUDBURY.

EATON, JOHN H., carpenter.
FRENCH, WILLIAM A., farmer and laborer.

TEWKSBURY.

LEWIS, WILLIAM J., farmer.
TRULL, JESSE N., farmer.

TOWNSEND.

SMITH, JOSEPH R., cooper.
WILLARD, JAMES A., laborer.

TYNGSBORO.

LITTLEHALE, EDWIN P., farmer.
WRIGHT, OTIS L., farmer.

WATERTOWN.

LEARNED, HERBERT W., tinsmith.
MAGUIRE, WILLIAM P., laundryman.
O'BRIEN, THOMAS H., carpenter.

WALTHAM.

MACKENZIE, GEORGE C., watchmaking.
TRAINOR, HARRY, painter.
SMITH, EDWARD P., farmer.
WATTS, SHELBORNE D., watch making.

WAYLAND.

SHERMAN, HENRY P., baggage master.
FROST, THOMAS W., painter.

WESTON.

GARFIELD, ALFRED H., farmer.
UPHAM, AUGUSTUS M., road commissioner.

WESTFORD.

DANE, EDWARD H., painter.
KNIGHT, JOSEPH E., wheelwright.

WILMINGTON.

DOUCETT, BERNARD F., bookkeeper.
McCRANE, OLIVER, farmer.

WINCHESTER.

CURRIER, CLEMENT W., merchant.
PRATT, GEORGE E., plumber.
WALLING, PETER, merchant.

WOBURN.

DOHERTY, JOHN H., currier.
McCARTHY, AUGUSTUS B., machinist.
KELLY, JOHN, mason's tender.
QUIGLEY, PATRICK, currier.

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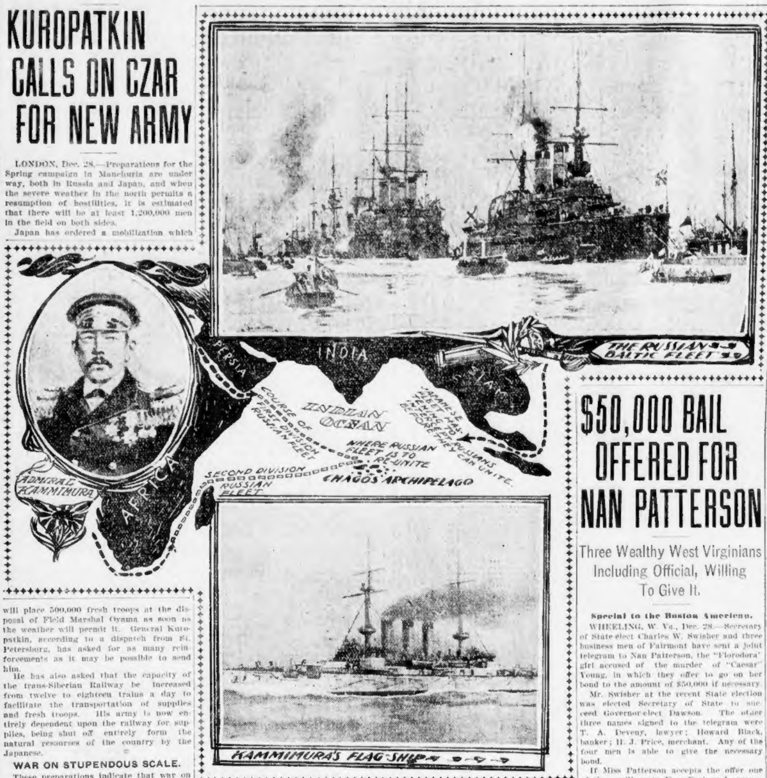
ARMY LEADERS NOW PREPARE FOR BATTLE WITH OVER A MILLION MEN

KUROPATKIN CALLS ON CZAR FOR NEW ARMY

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Preparations for the Spring campaign in Manchuria are under way, both in Russia and Japan, and when the severe weather in the north permits a resumption of hostilities, it is estimated that there will be at least 1,200,000 men in the field on both sides.

Japan has ordered a mobilization which will place 500,000 fresh troops at the disposal of Field Marshal Oyama as soon as the weather will permit it. General Kuropatkin, according to a dispatch from St. Petersburg, has asked for as many reinforcements as it may be possible to send him.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INDIAN OCEAN
COURSE OF FIRST DIVISION RUSSIAN FLEET
SECOND DIVISION RUSSIAN FLEET
WHERE RUSSIAN FLEET IS TO RE-UNITE
CHAGOS ARCHIPELAGO
JAPANESE FLEET HAS MOVED TO INTERCEPT RUSSIANS BEFORE THEY CAN UNITE
THE RUSSIAN BALTIC FLEET
KAMMIMURA'S FLAG-SHIP

FIGURES IN APPROACHING SEA FIGHT.

He has also asked that the capacity of the trans-Siberian Railway be increased from twelve to eighteen trains a day to facilitate the transportation of supplies and fresh troops. His army is now entirely dependent upon the railway for supplies, being shut off entirely form the natural resourses of the country by the Japanese.

WAR ON STUPENDOUS SCALE.

These preparations indicate that war on a scale so stupendous as never before dreamed of will be waged when the campaign is reopened in the Spring. It is believed that little will be done in the vicinity of Mukden either by the Russians or the Japanese as long as the terribly cold weather lasts.

When the battle of Mukden and the Sahke River is resumed, there will be more than 500,000 Russians against as many Japanese. The battle between such a force must be decisive. The death list will be the most appalling in all the history of warfare, perhaps exceeding even the somewhat mythical historical accounts of the Persian-Greek conflicts in the time of Philip and Alexander the Great.

It will mean, too, that the full resources of the two nations in men and arms are matched against each other. Military experts here believe that, owing to the superior efficiency of the Japanese troops, their extreme patriotism and their willingness and even eagerness to meet death on the battlefield, that they more than make up for what they lack in numbers.

MILLION MEN IN BATTLE.

With from 800,000 to 1,000,000 men engaged in military service, the great majority of course being in Manchuria, Russia will have little left to draw upon in the way of reserves. Japan, with an even less number of men under arms, will have exhausted her supply of soldiers, and the battle which ensues between these vast armies must of necessity decide the Far Eastern war and the future of Asia.

JAP SHIPS SEEK MIDOCEAN FIGHT WITH BALTIC FLEET

LONDON, Dec. 28.—News is daily expected now of the movements of the hostile fleets that are rapidly approaching each other in the Indian Ocean.

The fact that practically nothing has been heard of the different divisions of the Baltic squadron since they were reported as leaving the Suez Canal and rounding Cape Horn is regarded in line with the Russian policy to screen the whereabouts of the ships until there has been opportunity to effect a junction at the Chagos group of islands or some other rendezvous.

It is undoubtedly the intention of Kamimura to frustrate the Russian plans, and the swift descent of his powerful squadron to the only avenues to the China Sea is notice that Russia must soon face another crisis in her naval history. The Japanese fleet, while in ferior numerically to the Baltic squadron, far surpasses the Czar's armada in fighting effectiveness, and unless obliged to meet the combined ships under Rojestvensky would undoubtedly dispose of any of the separate divisions in quick order.

Kamimura's ships were recently sighted south of Singapore, sailing westward, and are probably now rushing across the Indian Ocean in an endeavor to surprise either one or both of the Suez divisions of the Baltic squadron and strike disaster before the Russians join their forces.

Toga's ships in the meanwhile have gone to Sasebo for new war paint and repairs, and will soon follow the ships under the Japanese vice-admiral.

GENERAL STOESSEL IS AGAIN INJURED; HORSE FALLS ON HIM

TOKIO, Dec. 28.—Unofficial news, received here from Port Arthur, reports that General Stoessel, who is in command of the forces there, has been injured by his horse falling on him. It is also reported that General Smilnoff has been wounded.

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ASKS MAYOR TO ACT FOR MUNICIPAL GAS

JOHN B. MORAN APPEALS TO COLLINS FOR RELIEF FROM GAS TRUST.

The attention of Mayor Collins has been directed to the necessity for immediate action on the part of the municipal authorities in acquiring a municipal gas plant.

In a letter received to-day from Attorney John B. Moran, who assailed the Gas Trust at a recent hearing before the gas commission at the State House, the Mayor is reminded of the urgent need of a public gas plant to stop the extortion of the public by the trust.

Mr. Moran points out that at least two years' time may be saved if action is taken this week by both branches of the City Council authorizing the acquisition of a gas plant.

Chapter thirty-four of the revised laws provides that the authority must be granted by the City Council in two consecutive municipal years. Action by the present council could be approved by the new council to take office in January. If action is delayed by the present council, an obvious delay of a year or more would follow in the authorization of a municipal gas plant.

Following is Attorney Moran's letter to the Mayor:

MR. MORAN'S LETTER.

Hon. Patrick A. Collins, Mayor of the City of Boston:

Dear Sir—The history of legislative and municipal corruption in connection with gas in Boston, as disclosed in public hearings, court trials and magazine articles, has aroused a very general feeling that again the public is being placed at the mercy of a set of gas schemers, whose purpose is to secure to themselves the greatest possible advantage, while according to the consumers as little as the consumers may be able to wrest from them.

The well-known tendency of the Gas Commissioners to favor wealth in opposition to the interests of the public is apparent in the commissioners' conduct since the framing by them of the gas consolidation bill to the present time. Unless speedy and radical measures are adopted, the Boston Consolidated Gas Company will be allowed to capitalize for about $30,000,000; that is, for about three times the present capitalization of the companies to be consolidated.

HIGH PRICES FOREVER.

No argument is necessary to indicate to you that such a capitalization means a high price of gas for the consumer permanently—therefore you will not deem it presumptious in me to call your attention as Mayor of our city in this open letter to Chapter 34 of the Revised Laws and to suggest that you act immediately in relation thereto.

Chapter 34 provides for the public ownership of gas and electric light plants, and prescribes the method by which such plants may be acquired by construction, purchase or lease.

Section 2 provides that a plant shall not be acquired by a city "until it has been authorized by a vote of two-thirds of each branch of the City Council, passed in each of two consecutive municipal years, and thereafter ratified by a majority of the voters at an annual or special city election." It also provides that the City Council's action shall be subject to approval or veto by the Mayor.

SHOULD ACT AT ONCE.

It is evident that the Legislature intended that two distinct and separate city councils should approve before submission to the people. It is therefore clear that the words "consecutive municipal years" refer to years beginning with the day of annual inauguration of the City Council. If the present City Council is to act it must act before inauguration day.

I therefore suggest that you call a meeting of the City Council this week; that you recommend the passage of an act by it in accordance with Chapter 34, and that you on inaugural day advocate the passage at once of the same act by the new City Council, and that you, thereupon, having approved of both passages of the act, call a special city election, to be held as speedily as possible, in order that the citizens of Boston may by vote indicate approval or disapproval of public ownership of gas and electric light plants.

Should the present City Council not act before retiring from office, there could be no submission of the question to the people until after December, 1905, even though the City Council of 1905 should pass the act. This would, of course, be too late, for the Legislature would probably not hold matters in abeyance until that time. Therefore, the necessity of immediate action on your part, and on the part of the City Council, is apparent.

APPEAL TO DOUGLAS.

After having taken measures to secure action by the present City Council, your labors will not cease. Representing the citizens of Boston, you will most willingly, as their accredited representative, suggest to Governor Douglas that he embody in his inaugural address a recommendation to the Legislature to repeal the consolidating act known as Chapter 417, of 1903, and that, in his official capacity as Governor, he request the Gas Commissioners to suspend their hearing on capitalization until after the Legislature has acted on his recommendation of repeal.

I assume you to be familiar with the advantages of public ownership, and refrain therefore from presenting argument in its favor. Should you desire, however, an example of pecuniary benefits accruing to the public from public ownership of gas and electric light plants, I refer you to ex-Mayor Matthews, who will furnish you at an hour's notice a statement of profits secured by the city of Holyoke, which recently took action under Chapter 34, and for which city he acted as attorney.

Truly yours,
JOHN B. MORAN.

Boston, December 27.

Those who Cough at Night may secure rest by taking Piso's Cure. All druggists.

$50,000 BAIL OFFERED FOR NAN PATTERSON

Three Wealthy West Virginians Including Official, Willing To Give It.

Special to the Boston American.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Secretary of State-elect Charles W. Swisher and three business men of Fairmont have sent a joint telegram to Nan Patterson, the "Florodora" girl accused of the murder of "Caesar" Young, in which they offer to go on her bond to the amount of $50,000 if necessary.

Mr. Swisher at the recent State election was elected Secretary of State to succeed Governor-elect Dawson. The otaer three names signed to the telegram were T. A. Deveny, lawyer; Howard Black, banker; H. J. Price, merchant. Any of the four men is able to give the necessary bond.

If Miss Patterson accepts the offer one of them will go to New York and arrange to put up the necessary cash security for the release of Miss Patterson.

POISON KILLS BOSTON MAN

Continued from First Page.

bank clerk, of Springfield, twenty-eight years old, to spend the holidays, on Saturday. Both young men dissipated considerably, and last night, with excited nerves, they found it difficult to sleep. Weed is said to have been addicted to morphine, and according to a statement made by Reilly to-day, Weed dared his companion to take a dose.

Dared Him to Take Dose.

"I took it," Reilly explained, "and Weed also took a dose. Then I dared him to take a second dose and he took it. Then I took a second dose."

Reilly does not remember what occurred after taking the second dose. The guests in the hotel were awakened shortly after 3 o'clock to-day by the cries of a man that sounded through the halls. Special Policeman Carey, employed in the hotel, ran to the second floor where he found Reilly collapsed on the stairway. He was wrapped in a blanket and was screaming loudly. "My friend is dying! My friend is dying!"

Running to the room occupied by the two young men, Carey found Weed lying on the bed and unconscious.

Dr. Creezy, of No. 123 East Fortieth street, was called. He saw at once that Weed was in a critical condition, and he called an ambulance from Bellevue Hospital. Dr. Dooley was in charge of the ambulance.

Hurried to Hospital.

The two men were hurried to the hospital. There a hasty examination showed that Weed was addicted to the use of morphine. There were holes in his arms, such as are made by hypodermic syringes. Reilly was very sick and it was plain that it was his first dose. The stomach pump was freely used on both men, but it was impossible to bring Weed back to consciousness. He was insensible until death. Reilly was not allowed to sleep, but was kept pacing up and down the ward. When told that Weed was dead he screamed:

"My God! That can't be so!" and he fell unconscious. When he was revived he fainted several times, and then he cried out in agony.

"He was my best and most devoted friend," he said. "We came here to enjoy Christmas and this is the end of it."

Reilly then told how he and Weed had taken the morphine as a joke, how they had dared each other to swallow more of the drug until they both became unconscious and then he was taken ill. He does not remember going to the hall of the hotel and crying out for help.

SOUTH BOSTON GIRL GETS MONTH IN JAIL

Miss Annie Riley, twenty-three years old, of No. 373 Athens street, South Boston, was sentenced to one month in Charles Street Jail by Judge Fallon in South Boston District Court to-day for larceny from the home of Solomon Berg, of No. 280 Gold street, South Bostn, where she had wrked five days as domestic.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

AFTER THE STORM.

There were many wet feet yesterday after the storm. To-day, as a result there are many colds and sore throats. Father John's Medicine cures colds and all throat and lung troubles, or your money back. 50 years in use.

TO ATTRACT NEW BUSINESS TO FALL RIVER

Citizens' Movement to Prevent in Future Any Such Suffering as Now Exists.

STRIKERS ARE NOT YIELDING

Special to the Boston American.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 28.—With the object that business interests may be attracted to Fall River that will so diversify the industries of the town that no such general scenes of suffering will again occur as obtain at present, a meeting will be held in Spinners' Hall on Thursday night to excite a general citizens' movement in this direction. At present the Board of Trade is inactive, and this is one of the main reasons given for such an agitation.

The situation to-day lends assurance to the declaration of the strike leaders that the operatives are stronger and more able to continue the fight against the mill owners than they were one week ago. The leaders now declare that they will not call off the strike so long as they receive any financial support from their comrades in organized labor throughout the country.

Mills Run at a Loss.

The labor leaders declared to-day that part of the manufacturers' scheme is to continue their fight through the assistance of strike insurance, and if their mill shares go to a low figure to buy them in from the small holders.

It was stated to-day that the Executive Board of the Manufacturers' Association is holding secret conferences at the residences of the mill owners, and that a schedule is being made out that will satisfy the weavers.

Two of the mills admit that the looms are being run at a loss to-day and were run at a loss yesterday. This the manufacturers explain as being due to the "day after" a holiday. The strike leaders, however, point to it as proof of the assertions of the unions that the mills are not making any gains among the operatives who left their looms when the cut of 12½ per cent. was posted twenty-three weeks ago.

The drop in the price of raw cotton to 6.90 cents per pound, recorded yesterday, is the lowest on record since 1899.

Aid Comes From Brockton.

The latest offer of aid to the operatives comes from the Farmers' Union of Siscoe, Texas. The union offers land free for the building of a co-operative mill "in a country with raw cotton right at the door." Secretary Hibbert of the United Textile Workers says, however, that the offer will have to stand for the time being anyway.

Several large cases of clothing, shoes and other necessities were shipped to Fall River to-day by the boot and shoe workers' unions in Brockton.

Rev. Alan Hudson, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Brockton, will visit the homes of textile workers here tomorrow or Friday, and report at a Brockton mass meeting next Sunday the condition of affairs and needs as he finds them.

$100,000 AGENT IN MORSECASE TO BE ARRESTED

Great Divorce Scandal May Have Sensational Development To-day.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—District Attorney Jerome has planned a sensational move in the Dodge-Morse case for to-day—the arrest of the chief agent of the men whom Charles F. Dodge implicated in his confession. This man is needed to corroborate the testimony of Dodge. He is the man who gave Dodge the money which enabled him to fight District Attorney Jerome until the court of last record compelled his return to New York—the man who spent nearly $100,000 keeping him out of the jurisdiction of the New York courts.

A warrant has been issued for the agent of the conspirators, and his arrest is expected at any minute. Other arrests will quickly follow, it is said.

Fearing Dodge will collapse and all his work go for naught, District Attorney Jerome is to-day bending every energy to bringing the Dodge-Morse case to a head. The strain of the strenuous times Dodge spent in Texas has brought him to the point of collapse.

Mr. Jerome is seriously concerned. He fears Dodge may not be able to repeat before the grand jury and on the witness stand the story he told at police headquarters on the night of his arrival from Texas. His heart action has become very weak.

UNION WINS CHIEF'S PLACE

LYNN, Dec. 28.—The Boston & Northern railroad has reinstated Motorman George A. Rose, president of the street railway union.

The union says Rose was laid off because the company wants to do away with the union, but the road officials say he missed a trip.

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MISS JULIA E. DUFF

SCHOOL BOARD LEADER FOR MIXED SCHOOLS.

She Says the Plan, if Adopted, Would Make Better Boys and Girls.

"I am in favor of mixed schools. It is a sort of polishing of the diamond in the rough to have the boys and girls together," says Mrs. Julia E. Duff of Charlestown, a member of the school committee, in speaking to-day of the recommendation of the board of supervisors of the Boston School Board to discontinue separation of the sexes in the Boston public schools. This recommendation is causing much discussion to-day and is generally approved. Mrs. Duff says:

"The report received at the school committee meeting last night from the board of supervisors favoring mixed elementary schools was most pleasing to me," continued Mrs. Duff, "and it is a condition of which I am decidedly in favor. I believe in them for the reason that the strength and vigor of the boys exert an influence on the girls, and on the other hand the gentleness of the girls is communicated to an extent to the boys. Boys in separate schools grow more boisterous, and to have mixed schools is the ideal, much the same as prevails at home where there are boys and girls. I have always been a strong advocate of mixed schools.

Washington School an Example.

"The Washington School, with its 1,000 pupils, both boys and girls, has proven a surprise to all educators by its great success, that being the first mixed school in the city proper. Mixed schools prevail, however, in the suburbs, at Dorchester, Roxbury, Charlestown and East Boston, while some in South Boston are mixed.

"Separate schools are only a relic of the old academy days, when girls were educated with fear and timidity not in keeping with the spirit of modern times."

William F. Merritt, of Dorchester, who has just been reelected to the School Committee, when asked his opinion regarding mixed schools, said:

"I am in favor of mixed schools, as I believe it is a much better way for bringing up children at the grammar school age, mixed schools having a good influence on both boys and girls."

Action on the recommendation has not yet been taken by the School Board. It probably will be taken up for discussion at its next meeting.

Best Results Achieved.

It is the opinion of the supervisors that from an educational standpoint it is desirable that pupils of both sexes should be taught in the same schools, but they add the qualifying clause to their recommendation that the change to mixed schools, if made, should be made gradually.

In support of their opinion the supervisors says that the best practice in school tuition in the United States embraces the co-education of the sexes, and that where the principle obtains the best results in teaching are achieved.

The members of the School Board generally have not yet recorded their opinions on the subject, and as yet their action on it cannot be forecasted. It is believed that if the schools are reorganized the Board will approach the matter with great care, possibly selecting certain schools for experiment and observation.

SIX CHILDREN HURT COASTING

SOUTHBRIDGE, Dec. 28.—In a coasting accident here six children were injured. Stephen McKinstry, twelve, sustained a fracture of the leg and the doctors think he will lose it; Joseph McKinstry, ten, sustained a fracture of the jaw; Emma Boucher, ten, a fracture of the leg; Matthew Morrisey, internal injuries; Fred Loranger, injury to his back, and Emma Volko, leg and arm injured.

A dozen children were coasting on Pleasant street when the runner dashed into a telephone pole.

FORM LEPER COLONY ON GALLUP'S ISLAND

A new plan for the housing of the lepers now within the State has been decided upon by the State Board of Charity but for the present will not be made public. It is understood, however, that arrangements will be made for the housing of two persons who are now suffering from the disease on Gallup's Island. The first plan was to establish a leper colony at Amherst but so strong was the objection raised that this was abandoned.

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With the full ceremony prescribed by the ritual of the order, Baalis Sanford, of Brockton, was installed as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Massachusetts Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, in the presence of a large gathering of Grand Lodge Masons at the Masonic Temple. After being installed by Past Grand Master Charles T. Gallagher, of Boston, Grand Master Sanford installed the other grand officers.

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MASS MEETING FOR 80-CENT GAS IS CALLED AT BRIGHTON TO-NIGHT

BOII T LIVrIZENS ARE ROUSED AND IN EARNEST

Demand for Cheaper Rates Increasing in Strength—Representative Coulthurst to Speak.

A LARGE CROWD EXPECTED

The first local mass meeting called by the executive committee of the Citizens' Association of Boston will be held to-night in the chapel at Faneuil, and the campaign of education and agitation for eighty-cent gas started by the Central Gas Committee will be launched and put into active operation.

Representatives of nearly all of the leading improvement associations of Boston are to be present at the meeting at Faneuil Hall to-night, and every preparation will be made for the starting of this campaign, which it is ultimately expected will result in securing eighty-cent gas for the residents of Boston.

Meeting of Brighton Consumers.

The meeting is to be held in conjunction with a rousing eighty-cent gas citizens' ratification meeting of gas consumers of Brighton, who are to voice thei rsentiments and adopt resolutions at the gathering to-night.

Chairman John A. Coulthurst of the central committee will be the principal speaker, and he will be ready to tell and show in plain facts and figures just why gas is being manufactured at a very low price and why it can be sold at a reduction of 20 cents per thousand feet.

By this method the citizens of Boston will become familiar with the gas situation and will understand the minute details of the campaign which will be waged.

The central committee was organized several weeks ago and is composed of representatives from nearly all the improvement associations of Boston, with ex-Representative John A. Coulthurst, of Roslindale, as chairman.

Campaign Free from Politics.

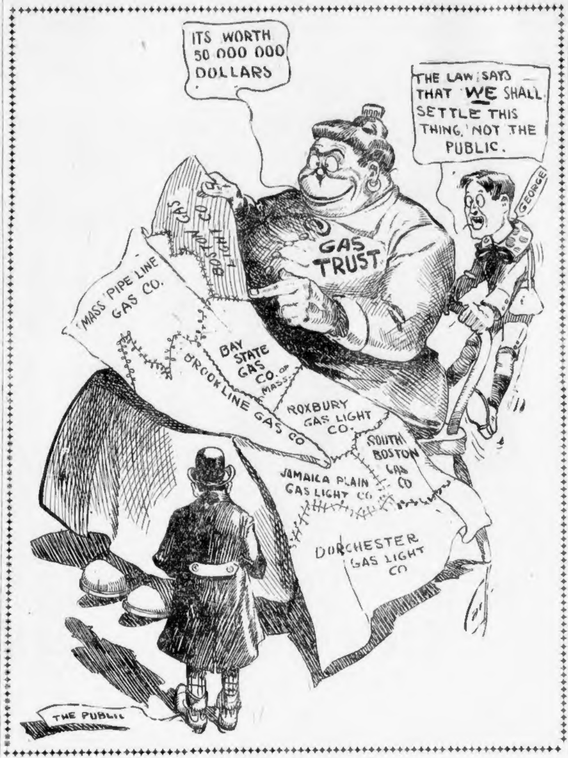
The campaign is to be entirely free from politics. Its purpose will be to familiarize the people of Boston with the gas situation, that they may intelligently express their will to the gas commission and to their representatives on a bill repealing the gas consolidation act of 1903, which will be presented to the Legislature in January.

Brighton in Leading Part.

Brighton is taking a leading part in the eighty-cent gas fight, and the citizens have unanimously endorsed the action of Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN in petitioning the Gas Commissioners to reduce the price of gas, and at to-night's meeting they will go farther by adopting various resolutions expressing their attitude on the questions.

Many of Brighton's well-known residents are to address the gathering, and Councilman Edward J. Richardson will make a speech outlining the work which is to be done by the association.

GAS CAPITALIZATION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Too Much to Pay for the Patchwork.

PEOPLE'S FIGHT FOR 80-CENT GAS RENEWED MONDAY

The fight for eighty-cent gas will be renewed before the Gas and Electric Light Commissioners the first thing next week.

On Monday morning the commissioners will continue the hearing on the BOSTON AMERICAN'S petition, signed by more than 70,000 gas consumers, asking that the price of gas be reduced to eighty cents. The examination of Professor Edward W. Bemis of Cleveland, the eminent gas expert, whose services have been retained for the people by HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN, will be continued.

Interesting developments are also looked for on Friday, January 6, when the commissioners are expected to hand down their decision on the motion of Attorney Snow, representing the gas companies, to expel from participation in the examination of witnesses Attorney Auerbach, who is conducting the BOSTON AMERICAN'S fight for the people. If the commissioners sustain Mr. Snow's motion it will prevent Mr. Auerbach from cross-examining Expert Humpreys, whose appraisal of the value of the gas companies' properties has already been riddled by Professor Bemis. It will also bar other attorneys from the fight.

The commission will also decide on Friday the motion of Corporation Counsel Babson to throw out Mr. Humphrey's appraisal on the ground that he used an improper basis for arriving at his figures. The granting of this motion would mean the gain of considerable ground by the people in their fight against the extortionate methods of the Trust. It would involve another appraisal of the properties, which in the face of the exposures made by Professor Bemis in his testimony thus far would probably be on a more logical and equitable basis.

FORMER CITY FATHER AIDING IN GAS FIGHT

Former Alderman Michael W. Norris who, during his many years of service in the different branches of the City Council, made a study of municipal lighting is an enthusiastic advocate of 80-cent gas.

To an AMERICAN representative Mr. Norris said: "The Mayor deserves the hearty support of every good citizen for his effort to secure for the city and the people cheaper gas, and I wish to congratulate the BOSTON AMERICAN on its earnest work in arousing public sentiment that will sustain the hands of so fearless a public servant.

"During the time I was a member of the Common Council and of the Board of Aldermen I made a special study of the problem of municipal lighting, and early became convinced that we were paying too much for our light. My feeling then was and I still retain it, that the remedy is to provide for municipal lighting, but until that can be secured I am heart and soul with the Mayor in any step he may take to reduce the cost under the present system.

"During my service in the Common Council in 1895 I was a member of a committee that visited the Central and Middle West to investigate the lighting conditions in those cities. We personally visited Philadelphia, Marietta, O.; Springfield, Ill.; Bloomington, Ill.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Aurora, Ill.; Chicago, Michigan City, Ypsilanti and Detroit, and received facts and figures from many other municipalities.

"We found by our investigation that the city of Boston was paying much more for its lighting than other cities.

ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG MEN OUT FOR 80-CENT GAS

Pledging their hearty co-operation and enthusiastically commending the fight being made by Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN for cheaper gas, the Young Men's Excelsior Association at their meeting at the Civic Service House, Salem street, have passed the following resolution, which was forwarded to the BOSTON AMERICAN by their secretary, Nathaniel Goldberg:

Whereas, The Boston public has been obliged to pay in the past twelve years the excessive and exorbitant sum of $1 per 1,000 cubic feet of gas to the gas companies; and,

Whereas, The gas companies should realize a reasonable profit by the charge of eighty cents per 1,000 cubic feet; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Young Men's Excelsior Association, Civic Service House, earnestly indorses the petition offered by Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN to the Massachusetts Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners for eighty-cent gas, and pledge their hearty co-operation. NATHANIEL GOLDBERG,
Recording Secretary.

CLUB WOMEN INDORSE EIGHTY-CENT GAS MOVE

Boston club women are in favor of eighty-cent gas, and indorse the fight made by the BOSTON AMERICAN to cut the price to that figure.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, when asked her views of the petition for eighty-cent gas, called it "a wise movement."

Mrs. Isabella A. Potter, president of the Woman's Clubhouse Corporation, and whose grasp of financial affairs is conceded by men who are adepts in the money market, says:

"I approve of the eighty-cent gas petition and of the efforts of Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN to secure for citizens their rights in this matter."

Mrs. J. Sewall Reed, treasurer of more women's clubs than any other woman in the country, says:

"I am willing to help the movement for cheaper gas in any way that I can."

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BIG INSURANCE MAN OUT.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 28.—Jonathan G. Bunce has resigned the presidency of the Pheonix Mutual Life Insurance Company, and has been chosen president of the directors to remain at the head of the finance committee. Vice-President John M. Holcombe was elected president.

FAT BOILS OVER, FIRE LOSS IS $200

The boiling over of a kettle of fat caused a $200 fire in the restaurant of Abbie Foley at No. 491 Harrison Avenue, early to-day. The fire was handled by Engine Company 3, and Ladder Company 3, which kept it on the first floor of the building.

38 CITIES AND TOWNS WATCH BROOKLINE

Plan to Save Money in Payment of State Debts Before Town Meeting To-night.

PLAN TO SAVE MILLIONS

Thirty-eight cities and towns in the metropolitan district of Boston are much interested in the acton of the voters of Brookline as to whether they will authorize the selectmen of the town to appear before the Legislature and request the passage of an act permiting cities and towns in the metropolitan district to pay any State debts in a lump sum.

At the town meeting in Brookline to-night the voters will be asked to decide on this matter. The scheme is to issue serial bonds to meet the payment of the large sums incurred for parks, sewers or other public improvements, and in this way to effect a substantial saving for the municipalities without loss to the State.

A committee composed of Representative Joseph Walker, ex-Representative James Codman, Jr., Alfred D. Chandler, a lawyer; ex-Judge James R. Dunbar and Frederick P. Fish, a lawyer, was appointed some time ago in Brookline to look into the matter, and they are ready to report that Brookline and every other city and town in the metropolitan district can save money by the passage of the act.

The report of the committee says that Brookline's municipal debt is about $1,500,000 of principal; its share of the principal of the metropolitan debt is about $2,000,000; a total indebtedness of about $3,600,000, exclusive of interest and exclusive of its share of the State direct debt.

Upon this basis, taking only Brookline into consideration, there would be a saving under the new plan of about $880,000, and if all of the other thirty-eight cities and towns were involved the amount would run well into the millions.

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American Telephone	147¾	149
American Sugar	143	143⅛
American Sugar pref.	138½	
American Woolen	21¼	21⅞
American Woolen pref.	94	94
Atlantic	16	16½
Atchison	86½	86⅞
Boston Con	6½	6¼
Boston & Albany	253	253
Boston Elevated	154	154½
Boston & Maine	173	173
Calumet & Hecla	628	630
Centennial	24	24½
Chicago Junction	151	151
Copper Range	65	63
Daly-West	12½	13
Granby	5⅛	5
Isle Royale	26⅛	26¼
Mass. Electric pref.	58½	58½
Mass. Gas	37¾	38⅜
Mass. Gas pref.	80⅛	80½
Mohawk	50	50¼
N. Y. N. H. & H.	197¾	198
Old Dominion	25½	26¾
Osceola	92	93
Parrot	26⅜	26¾
Shannon	8½	8¾
Shoe Machinery	60	60
Trinity	9	10½
U. S. Steel	29⅞	30
U. S. Steel pref	93	93¼
United Fruit	107¾	108
U. S. Oil	11	11
U. S. Mining	24¼	25
Union Pacific	111½	111¾
Utah	41¾	42⅜
Victoria	4½	4½
Winona	12	12

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Amal. Copper	67¼	68
Amer. Car & Foundry	34⅛	34⅞
Amer. Smelting	81¾	81¾
American Sugar	143¼	143
Atchison	86¾	87
Baltimore & Ohio	101½	101¾
Brooklyn Transit	61¼	61½
Canadian Pacific	132	132¾
Ches. & Ohio	48⅜	48½
Chicago & Alton	43	43
Chicago, Great West	22⅝	22¾
Colo. Fuel & Iron	45⅝	47⅞
Consol. Gas	201¼	201
Delaware & Hudson	187	187
Erie	37½	37⅝
Erie 1st pfd	74¾	74⅞
Illinois Central	155	155⅝
Louisville & Nashville	140¼	140¾
Metropolitan	121⅛	121¼
Mexican Central	20⅛	21
Missouri Pacific	106¾	107¼
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WHITE—In Chelsea, Dec. 27, Sarah A. White, beloved wife of Maurice White (nee Butler), age 41 years.

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I've Got My Eyes on You-oo-oo.
Ring Out the Old; Ring in the New. (New Year's Song.)
Your Mother Wants You Home, Nellie Darling.
Any Rags?
Don't Cry, Katie, Dear.
Good-bye, My Lady Love.
When the Sunset Turns the Ocean's Blue to Gold.
Wait at the Gate for Me. (By writer of "Blue Bell.")
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I Know.
Violets, Sweet Violets.
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Jesse Burkett, who has been playing ball with the St. Louis Browns since the inception of the American League, four years ago, has affixed his signature to a contract, and next season he will be seen in the garb of the Boston Champs.

This will give the Bostons a quartet of the finest outfielders in the business. There will be Al Selbach, Chick Stahl, Buck Freeman and last, but not least, Jesse Burkett. As it is only possible for three of the men to play the outfield, it is not at all unlikely that one of the present holders of outfield positions will lose his job.

Burkett was procured from St. Louis for a money consideration, along with George Stone, the Milwaukee player, who has been hailed as an embryo star. The deal whereby the Hub team was to get Burkett has been hanging fire ever since the closing days of last season. It has been frequently rumored that Burkett was coming to Boston, but it was not until Burkett came to Boston and saw President Taylor that the deal was consummated.

Fans all over the country who have made a hobby of studying ball players all their lives say the Bostons have procured a treasure in Burkett. He is considered one of the finest artists that ever wore spangles. During his career on the ball field he has played about every position, not even barring pitching.

Burkett acqured the greater part of his reputation as a hitter. He has been playing major league baseball since 1889 and has always been clouting the ball to more or less advantage. In '95 he led the National League in batting, being the only player swatting the ball for over .400. He had a mark of .423, and was many points to the good of Ed Delehanty, Willie Keeler and other stars.

Burkett's important engagements have been with the Cleveland and St. Louis teams, of the National League, and the Browns, of the American League. During his entire career on the diamond his ability has been unquestioned. He is just as much at home on the field as at the social functions at which he shines when he is off duty. The reason attributed to Hedges's desire to get rid of Burkett was that he is a high-priced player.

Burkett says he is highly pleased that he has been able to get a berth with the local team. Jesse lives in Worcester and he says it will be decidedly novel to go home after the game. President John I. Taylor says that he would liked to have given young Stone a chance, but couldn't under the circumstances.

MOWATT HURLS DEFI AT BRITT

BY TOMMY MOWATT,

Pride of the Stock Yards.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Jimmy Britt did exactly as I expected he would do. He whipped Nelson good and soundly. This demonstrates, I think, that Nelson's victory over Corbett was something in the nature of a fluke, inasmuch as Corbett was not then in proper condition for a hard fight.

I bet $500 on Britt, getting even money, and as I listened to the report of the fight by rounds as it came over the American's leased wire direct from the ringside there was never a time when I thought that I could lose my money. Britt won all the way and galloped in the easiest kind of a winner.

Nelson put up a game fight, however, and he deserves all the credit that will be given to him. He is a stout hearted boy and seems to be able to take an awful beating without feeling it. In Britt he simply met a boxer who was too clever for him.

I have challenged the winner, and if I get a chance to go on with him I think I will take the championship away from James Edward Britt.

WON'T RETAIN JERRY DELANEY

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Jerry Delaney will not coach the track team at Northwestern University next Spring. This statement was made in Evanston to-day by members of the Athletic Board of Control. The statement was received with bad grace by the students, with whom Delaney is popular and who recently signed a petition asking the board to retain him as trainer of all the Northwestern athletes.

Delaney is well known in the East as he coached at Colgate, Phillips Exeter and in Worcester, his home.

He came to Northwestern from the East in the Fall of 1903 upon the recommendation of Coach McCormick, who was just then taking charge of football at the Methodist school. After bringing the football men through a hard season, Delaney was appointed track coach. The track team failed to materialize for the conference meet, but this was blamed more to lack of material than to the failure of the coach.

"Dixie" Fleager, captain of the 1903 football team, is said to be a candidate for the position of track and baseball coach at Northwestern.

SANDY READY TO GO WEST

Marvin Hart need not want for a match while he tarries on the Pacific Slope, for if Kid McCoy sidesteps him and he refuses to meet Jack Johnson because of his aversion to the colored brigade, then he need only to whisper Sandy Ferguson's name and the Chelsea Giant will take the next express train to the coast and be ready to battle the pride of Kentucky and prove conclusively that he (Hart) is no fit candidate to dispute Champion Jeffries for the heavyweight title.

Says Alec MacLean, Sandy's manager, "I notice that Hart can't get any matches on the coast and is talking about returning to the East. Now, I will take Ferguson out to California at short notice and fight him at his (Hart's) own terms. Hart seems to ignore my efforts to put Ferguson against him and may have good reason to, as I am confident that he wants none of the big fellow's game, but at that he can't get away from me, for I am satisfied that between Ferguson and Hart depends the naming of the next opponent for Jeffries to tackle."

WESTERN ATHLETES IN B. A. A. GAME

HAHN. ROSE.

Ralph Rose, the giant athlete, and Archie Hahn, the sprinter, both from the University of Michigan, may come East to take part in the Boston Athletic Association games at Mechanics' building, February 11. Should Rose compete it's likely that new figures for the shot put indoors will be created, while a race between Hahn and Schick of Harvard would be a most interesting feature.

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NEW YORK, D[illegible] for the team and indiv[illegible] and for a continuance of [illegible] meets between the members were made at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association in the Plaza Hotel. There was a negative vote on the applications for membership of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Michigan, but the applications may be considered favorably next year. At this time it was not deemed wise to increase the membership, but the Massachusetts Institute of Technology was admitted to the schedule of dual meets.

It was decided to hold the championship competitions on Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25, in the salle d'armes of the New York Athletic Club. Both the team and individual titles are now held by West Point, although Kinnicutt, the individual [illegible] no longer at the Military [illegible]

[illegible] Lawrence, of Yale, the president, was in the chair at the meeting. B. O. Frick, secretary and treasurer, represented the University of Pennsylvania; W. McCleod, Harvard; C. L. Goly, Columbia; F. C. Brundage, Cornell; H. G. Knox and L. W. Townsend, Annapolis, and E. B. Barber and L. A. Kunzig, West Point. The officers were reelected, and it was voted to make no change in the conditions of the championships.

A few dates were closed for matches in the dual college series in this order:

Feb. 4—Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Columbia and Pennsylvania at West Point.

Feb. 11—Columbia at West Point.

Feb. 17—Cornell at Columbia.

Feb. 18—Cornell at West Point.

Feb. 25—Columbia at Annapolis, Yale at West Point, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Harvard.

March 3—Pennsylvania at Columbia and Cornell at Harvard.

March 10—Cornell at Annapolis.

March 13—Yale at Columbia.

BILLIARD CHAMPS IN FINAL MATCH

It will be the final game in the New England championship Class A billiard tournament at the Hub Parlors to-night, when Charles Threshie and William Paige come together in the last match to settle the question of superiority. These men are tied for the top of the list, and their match decides the title holder of the present series of games that have been on during the month.

Threshie is the recognized champion, and holds two legs on the cup offered by a big billiard firm, and only wants one more win to become the permanent possessor of the trophy. If he succeeds in beating Paige to-night, then Paige may turn around and challenge him for the cup, and his eligibility will come before the committee who selects the opponent with whom Threshie will defend his title. Parker, who is in the present tournament, has already registered his challenge, and the selection will be made shortly. If Threshie goes to Chicago to enter the tournament, then the challenge match will be held back till his return. According to the rules the challenge match must be played off in thirty days after the match is arranged.

Charles Threshie, the champion 18-inch balkline billiard player of New England, may represent this section in the big tournament that will be held in Chicago shortly.

When seen last night Mr. Threshie said: "I hope to be able to play in the tournament, but will not decide for a few days. I have just received my invitation, but cannot say definitely whether I will be able to get away.

"My chances? Oh, I guess I will be able to hold my own, as I have played several of the men that are likely to enter, and ought to keep in the race."

The match to-night promises to bring out the finest billiards that have been seen in this city for some time.

Paige is the strongest opponent Threshie has confronted for some years.

While recognized as a past master in his specialty and a slight favorite, he will have to extend himself as he never did, as Paige holds the phenomenal record of a run of seventy, made a week ago, which shows the calibre of the game he is putting up. Experts who have followed his playing think he has great possibilities, as he is constantly showing improvement and consistency.

JOHNSON MAY FIGHT HART

By Boston American Leased Wire.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Alex Greggains, of the San Francisco A. C., says that the next battle at his club will probably be between Marvin Hart and Jack Johnson, the colored heavyweight. They both weigh in the neighborhood of 200 pounds, and they should put up a slashing fight. Greggains believes that the winner of this bout will be in line to meet Jeff.

BRITT LIKELY TO MEET WHITE

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Word has been received here from Jimmy Britt that he would be perfectly willing to meet Jabez White for the lightweight championship of the world. Charley Mitchell has just gone over to England to see if he can't persuade the Britisher to visit this country and meet Britt.

SIELOFF WON FURIOUS BOUT

Special to the Boston American.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 28.—Charley Coffey's ability to assimilate punishment was the only thing that prevented his knockout at the hands of Otto Sieloff, who received the decision after ten rounds of fast battling. The Brooklynite finished strong, but Sieloff's lead was too great to make the decision at all doubtful.

GANS' DEFI TO BRITT

By Boston American Leased Wire.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Al Hereford, who is at present in this city, has challenged Jimmy Britt, in behalf of Joe Gans, for another battle, outside of California. Hereford will guarantee a $20,000 purse, and a $5,000 purse, if the fight takes place in Baltimore. Gans still claims the lightweight title.

NELSON CHARGE IS DISMISSED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Battling Nelson's charge of embezzlement against his manager, Teddy Murphy and Eddie Santry, has been dismissed, because the Dane has been laboring under a misapprehension of facts, as he told the court. The money in the property clerk's hands was produced and Nelson received $6,901 and Murphy $2,100, according to arrangement.

TANNEHILL TO SIGN AGAIN

President John I. Taylor, of the Boston American Club, announces that he has received word from Jesse Tannehill, that his terms proffered to the famous southpaw for next season are entirely satisfactory. "Tanny's" contract is expected in the mail at any time.

O'REILLEY TO BE DIRECTOR

Followers of athletics in this city learn with pleasure of John O'Reilley's, of South Boston, appointment, as athletic director of the Boston Schools, which has been made by the school committee. For the past few years O'Reilley has been coaching several high school baseball and football teams around Boston. He was at one time a crack athlete himself, playing on Brown and Holy Cross teams.

Passing Events IN THE *World of Sport*

BY A. H. C. MITCHELL.

Once a follower of the harness horses becomes interested in the thoroughbred game it is good-by to the harness horse with him. We used to enjoy sailing little toy boats on a pond when we were very small boys, but as we grow older the toy boats lost their charm and we wanted the real thing. So, in a way, it is with harness racing and thoroughbred racing.

It is said by those who ought to know that neither sport can succeed from a financial standpoint without the betting adjunct. On the race track they have their bookmakers and on the trotting track they have their pool selling. Leaving aside the gambling end of the business, however, and coming down to the pure pleasure of the thing, it is a fact that you find many persons deserting the trotting tracks for those of the thoroughbred, and none going the other way.

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The reason for this, of course, lies with the trotting men themselves. They insist on running things as they have been run since the first trotting track was built. In order to accomplish the slightest change for the better one has to accomplish it with an axe. Their system is wrong from beginning to end. Any other business in the world, if conducted the way the trotting business is conducted, would have died from dry rot years ago.

They refuse to make things pleasant for the casual racegoer, and the occasional visitor refuses to become a "regular." As long as there are men to be found who are willing to race year after year for their own money it is supposed that harness racing will go on in the same old way. But if they want to make any headway with the public they will have to begin reforming right and left.

The latest harness horse man to go over to the runners is Mr. Smathers, who has had success enough on the trotting track to make any man feel proud. But Mr. Smathers had a touch of the thoroughbred game a year or two ago and liked it so well that he has sold all his famous trotters and pacers and has bought a big stable of two-year-olds that will race on the metropolitan tracks next season. And the latest rumor is that Ed Geers, the "silent man of the sulky," will also forsake the harness horses and train Mr. Smathers's thoroughbreds.

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This, however, may turn out to be untrue, but there is no doubt that if Geers is anywhere near as clever with the runners as he has been with the harness horses he can make twice the money. John E. Madden, the "wizard of the turf," was originally a trotting-horse man, but he saw the possibilities of the thoroughbred game, got into it and made a fortune. There are numerous other men who have made a change for the better in a similar way.

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If Geers trains for Smathers no end of interest will be attached to his efforts. His work will be hard, but not nearly so hard as he has been accustomed to. He will not have to move bag and baggage once a week and drive his horses after training them. He will have time to enjoy an afternoon's sport instead of driving five, ten or fifteen heats, with an unfinished race or two and be ready to get into his sulky at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. And he will be well paid for his trouble with the thoroughbreds, for good trainers of thoroughbreds are mighty well paid. If he makes a success of it he will look back at the years he spent in the harness racing business and say: "What a fool I was, to be sure"—that is, if the "silent man" says anything at all.

MURPHY TO MEET TUCKER

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Tommy Murphy, the great little fighter of this city, and Chick Tucker, the hard-hitting lad of the Avonia I. C., will be matched in a few days to meet in a six-round bout before the National A. C., of Philadelphia, within three weeks.

Johnny Oliver, manager of Murphy, has consented to let Murphy fight Tucker, and as the terms of the match are satisfactory to the managers of both fighters it is safe to say there will be no delay in the signing of the articles of agreement.

According to the conditions the boys will fight at 122 pounds weigh in at the ringside. A forfeit of $500 will be posted when the match is made as a guarantee that the boys will make the required weight. This bout will doubtless attract an immense crowd to the Quaker City as both boys have a host of followers in this vicinity.

BROKE WINDOW ON A WAGER

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 28.—One of the most absurb wagers ever made in this city was payed to-day when Walter Cretchley deliberately smashed a valuable plate glass window in front of a store. The incident caused much consternation in the vicinity, but probably the most surprised man in the place was the proprietor.

When questioned as to why he had smashed the window Gretchly calmly claimed that he had made a wager with Mr. Wilson, proprietor of the store, that "Battling" Nelson would win the fight with Jimmy Britt, agreeing if Nelson lost to smash the window in front of Wilson's establishment and pay for a new one. Wilson, however, did not think that Cretchley would keep the wager. Had Wilson lost it would have been up to him to pave Cretchley's front and back yards with bricks.

DICK COOLEY SHINES AS STAGE STAR

There's a bit of the old diamond stuff at the Old Howard this week as Dick Cooley is on deck with his stage sketch that he threatened all last Summer he would do and show the fans that he could do the thespian act as well as pull down the long flies that sail out in the offing at the South End Grounds.

Clad in the regular Boston suit, the same togs that decorated his perfect figure during the diamond season, he looked ready to trot across the field to the shadow of the railroad fence. His partners in the sketch are Harry Mayo and Nick Parker, who impersonate a rare specimen of the score card boy and a fly cop. The open scene shows the Polo grounds in New York with Nick Parker, the score card dispenser, highly excited over the progress of the game between New York and Boston, and Harry Mayo, the slick copper, takes an active interest, too. It's the last inning, with two out, and Mike Donlin, the heavy swatter, at the bat, and the result of the contest hanging on the result of his effort. He clouts the ball to far left and Cooley, after a desperate run clear to the entrance of the field, captures it by a mighty leap in the air. He runs onto the stage with the ball grasped in his glove and tosses it to the youngster of score card fame amid a storm of applause.

The next scene shifts to Cooley's hotel, where he finds an invitation awaiting him to join a little social gathering in the evening. He sits down at the piano and begins to rehearse a few of his favorites in the song line.

Here is where Dick makes a hit, as his rag-time warbles and his own flashy picking on the ivories shows his versatile talent at entertaining. He tears off a few bars of those familiar coon songs, like "Seminole," "Jim Judge," "Abraham" and "Get the Money." Encores follow each other in rapid succession and Dick would have to stay at the keyboard indefinitely if his auditors had their way.

When Dick gets an opening the others join him and there is some bright business thrown in that catches the crowd.

Dick is asked to have a drink. His eloquent denunciation that ball players never partake catches the crowd.

Then the trio hitches up for a few strains of harmony which is something fine in the melodious stripe.

"It's great business," said Actor Dick in his dressing room, "but it makes me sore because my voice is off several notches, as I caught cold coming up from Philadelphia and I wanted to be at my very best when I struck the Hub. We are certainly making a hit all along the line and after going West I hope we will be able to make a return trip and play here. Our season will last well into the Spring and I will be busy till baseball starts up again. From Boston we take in the New England cities and then jump out West."

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ATTELL OFF FOR CHICAGO.

Special to the Boston American.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Monte Attell, who knocked out Jimmy Regan in seventeen rounds, has left this city for Chicago to prepare for his meeting with Jimmy Walsh of Boston. The only thing that may possibly hinder the bout is the weight question.

ENGLISH PUG MAKING GOOD OVER HERE

Sam Harris, the English boy who was seen here for the first time last Monday night and made quick work of Ben Dubarry of Providence and then went down to Portsmouth and pulled off a similar trick on Young Lewis of Philadelphia, looks to be about the real article among the boys in his class around here.

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Al. Francis of Everett wants to meet Kid Wright or Kid Terrill before some club.

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Manager E. F. Goff is willing to match Luther Manules of Providence against Kid McCoy of Manchester, N. H., and will be at the BOSTON AMERICAN at 7 o'clock to complete arrangements with McCoy or any other fighter.

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Terry McGovern opened in his new play, "For Fame and Fortune," at Allentown, Pa., and soon will be seen at the New Star Theatre in New York. The play is in four acts, by Hal Reid. It is built upon the prize ring career of McGovern. One of the scenes is laid in the Hotel Metropole, and depicts the making of the match between McGovern and Pedlar Palmer.

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Harry Gilman wants to get back in the ring and give Young Duffy of East Boston a chance to reverse the decision that he holds over the Noddle Islander. Gilman will be ready for business in a couple of weeks.

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After an absence of a year Dave Deshler, of Cambridge, is back in the game, and is willing to meet any of the 130-pound boys in New England. Deshler is booked to meet Billy Glover, of South Boston, at the next meeting of the Cambridge A. A.

Billy Davis, the featherweight, is still after matches, and would like to meet Harry Gilman, or he will take on any of the boys at 115 or 117 pounds.

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Willie Lewis, the lightweight fighter, has been matched to fight Mike Ward, of Michigan, for ten rounds, at a show to be brought off at Mt. Clemens on January 12.

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Tommy Moran, the fighting Irishman, of Brooklyn, who is open to take on any of the 133-pound men in the game, Jimmy Briggs, of Chelsea, or Jig Stone, of Charlestown, preferred, is doing light training in Brooklyn.

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Nate Lewis, the Chicago manager, says: "Jimmy Gardner is the greatest boy of his weight in the world. Jack O'Keefe deserves a world of credit for staying with him for eleven rounds, which is more than other opponents have been able to do.

"Gardner deserves all the credit that is coming to him, for he is a good, honest boy. When he came to Chicago last Winter I matched him to fight Mike Ward before the Ninth Ward Guards. The men were to fight for fifty per cent of the gate. It was a bad night and there was only $520 in the house.

"I went to Gardner in his dressing room and told him that the house was so small that he needn't go on if he didn't feel like it, that I wouldn't think of holding the $100 forfeit that he had posted for appearance.

"Jimmy turned to me and said:

"'Mr. Lewis, I wouldn't think of disappointing the people. If there were only two people here who had paid to see me fight I'd go on and fight.'

"If Jimmy meets Britt I'll string every penny I have on Gardner. I'd like to see him matched with 'Honey' Mellody, too. That would make a great battle."

JEFF WOULD GIVE MARVIN A CHANCE

Special to the Boston American.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 28.—Billy Delaney said to-day that he was glad that Jack Johnson was about to be matched with Marvin Hart, because if the latter wins from the colored man, he will stand a splendid chance of procuring a bout with Jim Jeffries. Delaney, who is the trainer of Jeff, knows pretty well the plans of the big fellow, and says that just as soon as any man shows himself worthy he will be given a chance.

"I know it is pretty tough barring Johnson from a match with Jeff. That he is a negro is no fault of his, but it seems to be one of the written laws that negroes should not meet white men any way, as far as Jeff is concerned. Black men should fight among themselves, as should white folk.

"Jeff is doing a great business in his drama, 'Davy Crockett,' and the way he puts his arm through the bolt, and bars the door, so that two hungry wolves won't catch him, nightly wins him great applause. Of course Jeff likes acting, but somehow or other he likes fighting better."

WALCOTT MAY REFEREE.

LACONIA, N. H., Dec. 28.—Central New Hampshire followers of the boxing game have resurrected the sport, and arranged a match between Harry Powers, of Lincoln, and John Chamfeau, of Plymouth, to take place here January 21. The bout is carded for ten rounds to a decision. The managers have been in communication with Joe Walcott to act as referee.

MAY PLAY BIG GAME.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The managers of the Corinthian team of London and New York Association football teams of this city have been in correspondence for some time, and it is likely that an international match will be played here next season under association football rules.

BOWLERS WILL GO TO NATIONAL MEET

BY TEN STRIKE.

MATCHES TO-NIGHT.

Mystic Valley League—Melrose at 909th A. A.

Massachusetts Interclub League—Newtowne at Towanda.

City Candle League—City Hall at Webster; St. James at Carroll; Hub at Murray & Irwin; Boylston at Somerset; Rexford at McCarthy.

Trust Company League—American Loan vs. Puritan; State Street vs. Commonwealth; Beacon vs. New England; Boston Safe vs. Federal.

Commercial League—Federal vs. Emerson; South Shore vs. Curtis.

Telephone League—Auditor vs. Equipment; Construction vs. Maintenance.

Samuel Karpf, secretary of the American Bowling Congress, has reached Chicago, after a tour of the West and Pacific Coast. Karpf brings back with him reports that Denver and Omaha in the West and New York and Pittsburg in the East are candidates for 1906, while Spokane has taken the precaution to ask for the 1907 affair.

"From the way the bowlers all over the country are falling in line I look for at least 1,700 clubs to be represented in the business meeting of the Congress," says Secretary Karpf. "That will mean 170 votes, and proves that switching from the league idea to clubs was a wise one. Since I have been away I have succeeded in establishing sixteen chapters for the Congress. Spokane had the most clubs in line, eighteen signing the list. The smallest was at Portland, where they have four clubs.

"The national meet at Milwaukee is going to be the most representative one we ever had, and the West will be strong in the play. Kansas City gave me the entries of four five-men teams, while Omaha promises three, including the Excelsiors, who rolled 1,186 in league competition last Spring. Denver will have three teams, including Julian Bliss's famous Democrats. Butte, Mont.; Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Salt Lake and Ogden each promise a five-man team, while Spokane says it will send two of them. Two-men teams are entered from Bismarck, S. D.; Billings, Mont., and Ogden, Utah.

"I am going to make the same kind of a tour through the East and the South, and expect to do fully as well as I did on my Western trip."

At the meeting of New York bowling alley owners, at the Hotel Victoria, sentiment was unanimously in favor of bidding for the national tournament of the American Bowling Congress in that city in 1906. All were of the opinion that such a tournament would be of interest in the city, and voted to recommend to the New York Bowling Association that the delegates attending the annual meeting of the American Bowling Congress, at Milwaukee, put forth their best efforts to secure the tournament. Should the delegates be successful in landing the event it will be the first competition of its kind held here. It is believed that the city will have over 100 representatives at the meeting in Milwaukee.

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How many Boston bowlers will there be on hand at Milwaukee when the tournament opens?

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When Arlington Boat Club and Charlestown Club meet on the latter's alleys to-night there will be something doing from the drop of the hat. At present both teams are tied for first place.

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Captain Corcoran although one of, if not the oldest roller in this city, is doing some fine work of late. The way he was flooring the pins last night was worth going miles to see.

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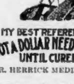
The candlepin matches in the Mystic Valley League begin Monday, January 2, with Calumet at Old Belfry; Glendon at Towanda, and Central at 909th A. A. It looks at present as though it would be a great fight for the pennant.



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Demand for Cheaper Rates Increasing in Strength—Representative Coulthurst to Speak.

A LARGE CROWD EXPECTED

The first local mass meeting called by the executive committee of the Citizens' Association of Boston will be held to-night in the chapel at Faneuil, and the campaign of education and agitation for eighty-cent gas started by the Central Gas Committee will be launched and put into active operation.

Representatives of nearly all of the leading improvement associations of Boston are to be present at the meeting at Faneuil Hall to-night, and every preparation will be made for the starting of this campaign, which it is ultimately expected will result in securing eighty-cent gas for the residents of Boston.

Meeting of Brighton Consumers.

The meeting is to be held in conjunction with a rousing eighty-cent gas citizens' ratification meeting of gas consumers of Brighton, who are to voice thei rsentiments and adopt resolutions at the gathering to-night.

Chairman John A. Coulthurst of the central committee will be the principal speaker, and he will be ready to tell and show in plain facts and figures just why gas is being manufactured at a very low price and why it can be sold at a reduction of 20 cents per thousand feet.

By this method the citizens of Boston will become familiar with the gas situation and will understand the minute details of the campaign which will be waged.

The central committee was organized several weeks ago and is composed of representatives from nearly all the improvement associations of Boston, with ex-Representative John A. Coulthurst, of Roslindale, as chairman.

Campaign Free from Politics.

The campaign is to be entirely free from politics. Its purpose will be to familiarize the people of Boston with the gas situation, that they may intelligently express their will to the gas commission and to their representatives on a bill repealing the gas consolidation act of 1903, which will be presented to the Legislature in January.

Brighton in Leading Part.

Brighton is taking a leading part in the eighty-cent gas fight, and the citizens have unanimously endorsed the action of Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN in petitioning the Gas Commissioners to reduce the price of gas, and at to-night's meeting they will go farther by adopting various resolutions expressing their attitude on the questions.

Many of Brighton's well-known residents are to address the gathering, and Councilman Edward J. Richardson will make a speech outlining the work which is to be done by the association.

PEOPLE'S FIGHT FOR 80-CENT GAS RENEWED MONDAY

The fight for eighty-cent gas will be renewed before the Gas and Electric Light Comissioners the first thing next week.

On Monday morning the commissioners will continue the hearing on the BOSTON AMERICAN'S petition, signed by more than 70,000 gas consumers, asking that the price of gas be reduced to eighty cents. The examination of Professor Edward W. Bemis of Cleveland, the eminent gas expert, whose services have been retained for the people by HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN, will be continued.

Interesting developments are also looked for on Friday, January 6, when the commissioners are expected to hand down their decision on the motion of Attorney Snow, representing the gas companies, to expel from participation in the examination of witnesses Attorney Auerbach, who is conducting the BOSTON AMERICAN'S fight for the people. If the commissioners sustain Mr. Snow's motion it will prevent Mr. Auerbach from cross-examining Expert Humprreys, whose appraisal of the value of the gas companies' properties has already been riddled by Professor Bemis. It will also bar other attorneys from the fight.

The commission will also decide on Friday the motion of Corporation Counsel Babson to throw out Mr. Humphrey's appraisal on the ground that he used an improper basis for arriving at his figures. The granting of this motion would mean the gain of considerable ground by the people in their fight against the extortionate methods of the Trust. It would involve another appraisal of the properties, which in the face of the exposures made by Professor Bemis in his testimony thus far would probably be on a more logical and equitable basis.

FORMER CITY FATHER AIDING IN GAS FIGHT

Former Alderman Michael W. Norris who, during his many years of service in the different branches of the City Council, made a study of municipal lighting is an enthusiastic advocate of 80-cent gas.

To an AMERICAN representative Mr. Norris said: "The Mayor deserves the hearty support of every good citizen for his effort to secure for the city and the people cheaper gas, and I wish to congratulate the BOSTON AMERICAN on its earnest work in arousing public sentiment that will sustain the hands of so fearless a public servant.

"During the time I was a member of the Common Council and of the Board of Aldermen I made a special study of the problem of municipal lighting, and early became convinced that we were paying too much for our light. My feeling then was and I still retain it, that the remedy is to provide for municipal lighting, but until that can be secured I am heart and soul with the Mayor in any step he may take to reduce the cost under the present system.

"During my service in the Common Council in 1895 I was a member of a committee that visited the Central and Middle West to investigate the lighting conditions in those cities. We personally visited Philadelphia, Marietta, O.; Springfield, Ill.; Bloomington, Ill.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Aurora, Ill.; Chicago, Michigan City, Ypsilanti and Detroit, and received facts and figures from many other municipalities.

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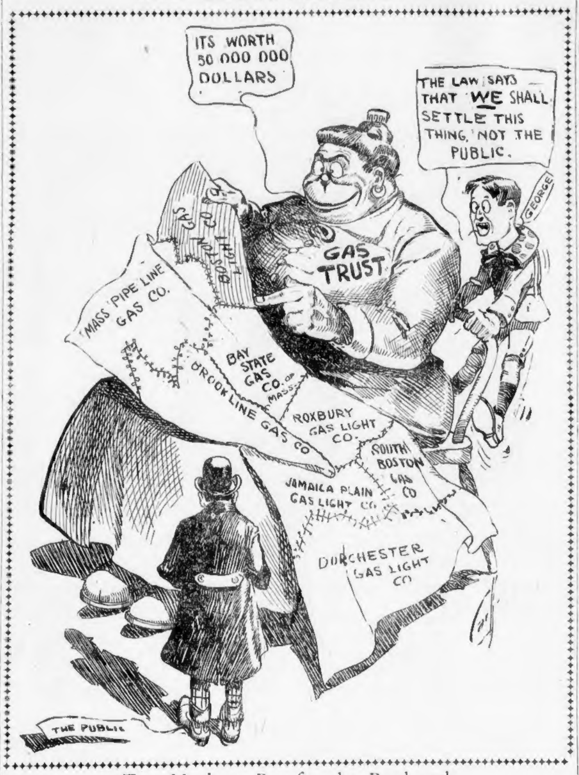
DEATHS.

WHITE—In Chelsea, Dec. 27, Sarah A. White, beloved wife of Maurice White (nee Butler), age 41 years.
Funeral from her late residence, No. 8 Spencer av., Friday morning, at 8 o'clock. High mass at St. Rose Church at 9 o'clock. Relatives and friends invited.

MASS MEETING FOR 80-CENT GAS IS CALLED AT BRIGHTON TO-NIGHT

GAS CAPITALIZATION



Too Much to Pay for the Patchwork.

ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG MEN OUT FOR 80-CENT GAS

Pledging their hearty co-operation and enthusiastically commending the fight being made by Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN for cheaper gas, the Young Men's Excelsior Association at their meeting at the Civic Service House, Salem street, have passed the following resolution, which was forwarded to the BOSTON AMERICAN by their secretary, Nathaniel Goldberg:

Whereas, The Boston public has been obliged to pay in the past twelve years the excessive and exorbitant sum of $1 per 1,000 cubic feet of gas to the gas companies; and,

Whereas, The gas companies should realize a reasonable profit by the charge of eighty cents per 1,000 cubic feet; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Young Men's Excelsior Association, Civic Service House, earnestly indorses the petition offered by Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN to the Massachusetts Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners for eighty-cent gas, and pledge their hearty co-operation. NATHANIEL GOLDBERG,
Recording Secretary.

CLUB WOMEN INDORSE EIGHTY-CENT GAS MOVE

Boston club women are in favor of eighty-cent gas, and indorse the fight made by the BOSTON AMERICAN to cut the price to that figure.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, when asked her views of the petition for eighty-cent gas, called it "a wise movement."

Mrs. Isabella A. Potter, president of the Woman's Clubhouse Corporation, and whose grasp of financial affairs is conceded by men who are adepts in the money market, says:

"I approve of the eighty-cent gas petition and of the efforts of Mayor Collins and the BOSTON AMERICAN to secure for citizens their rights in this matter."

Mrs. J. Sewall Reed, treasurer of more women's clubs than any other woman in the country, says:

"I am willing to help the movement for cheaper gas in any way that I can."

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BIG INSURANCE MAN OUT.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 28.—Jonathan G. Bunce has resigned the presidency of the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company, and has been chosen president of the directors to remain at the head of the finance committee. Vice-President John M. Holcombe was elected president.

FAT BOILS OVER, FIRE LOSS IS $200

The boiling over of a kettle of fat caused a $200 fire in the restaurant of Abbie Foley at No. 491 Harrison Avenue, early to-day. The fire was handled by Engine Company 3, and Ladder Company 3, which kept it on the first floor of the building.

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It's You.
Shame On You. (Lew Dockstader's big HIT.)
I Want to Be a Soldier.
When the Harvest Moon is Shining on the River.
Sunday Morning, When the Church Bells Ring.
Down Where the Suwanee River Flows.
Alexander.
Under the Anheuser Busch.
Tell Me That Beautiful Story.
Hannah, Won't You Open That Door?
My Love I Dare Not Tell. (Song hit from "The Medal and the Maid.")
The Proper Way to Kiss. (Frank Daniels's hit in "The Office Boy.")
Just an Old Sweetheart of Mine.
Your Dad Gave His Life for His Country. (Song hit Dockstader's Minstrels.)

Vocal.
In the Moonlight With the Girl You Love.
Good-bye, Little Girl, Good-bye.
Where the Mocking Birds Were Singing.
Teasing.
The Man With the Ladder and the Hose. (Great fireman song.)
You're the Flower of My Heart, Sweet Adeline.
I've Got My Eyes on You-oo-oo.
Ring Out the Old; Ring in the New. (New Year's Song.)
Your Mother Wants You Home, Nellie Darling.
Any Rags?
Don't Cry, Katie, Dear.
Good-bye, My Lady Love.
When the Sunset Turns the Ocean's Blue to Gold.
Wait at the Gate for Me. (By writer of "Blue Bell.")
You're as Welcome as the Flowers in May.
I Know.
Violets, Sweet Violets.
Mamma's Boy.
Good-Night, Beloved, Good-Night.
Ev'ry Morn I Bring Her Chicken. (Coon's answer to "Violets.")
Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis.
Here's to the Old Folks at Home. (New Year's Song.)

Instrumental.
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Star of the Sea. (Vocal or instrumental.)
Laces and Graces. (By composer of "Cozy Corner.")
Buds and Blossoms Waltz.
Gondolier.
Love's Greet Gavotte. (By Chas. D. Blake.)
Laughing Water.
A Bit o' Blarney. (Two-step.)
Sifted Sweetness Waltz.
Handsome Harry. (Two-step.)
Polly Prim March.
Chariot Race.
Dream of Madrid Waltzes.
A Trip to Niagara. (Two-step.)
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Please Come and Play in My Yard.
Oyster and Clams.

Vocal.
Blue Bell.
Make a Fuss Over Me.
I've Got a Feelin' for You.
My Faithful Rose.

Vocal.
Dear Old Girl.
Can't You See My Heart Beats All for You?
Where the Southern Roses Grow.
What the Brass Band Played.

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38 CITIES AND TOWNS WATCH BROOKLINE

Plan to Save Money in Payment of State Debts Before Town Meeting To-night.

PLAN TO SAVE MILLIONS

Thirty-eight cities and towns in the metropolitan district of Boston are much interested in the acton of the voters of Brookline as to whether they will authorize the selectmen of the town to appear before the Legislature and request the passage of an act permitting cities and towns in the metropolitan district to pay any State debts in a lump sum.

At the town meeting in Brookline to-night the voters will be asked to decide on this matter. The scheme is to issue serial bonds to meet the payment of the large sums incurred for parks, sewers or other public improvements, and in this way to effect a substantial saving for the municipalities without loss to the State.

A committee composed of Representative Joseph Walker, ex-Representative James Codman, Jr., Alfred D. Chandler, a lawyer; ex-Judge James R. Dunbar and Frederick P. Fish, a lawyer, was appointed some time ago in Brookline to look into the matter, and they are ready to report that Brookline and every other city and town in the metropolitan district can save money by the passage of the act.

The report of the committee says that Brookline's municipal debt is about $1,500,000 of principal; its share of the principal of the metropolitan debt is about $2,000,000; a total indebtedness of about $3,600,000, exclusive of interest and exclusive of its share of the State direct debt.

Upon this basis, taking only Brookline into consideration, there would be a saving under the new plan of about $880,000, and if all of the other thirty-eight cities and towns were involved the amount would run well into the millions.

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Parrot	26¾	26¾
Shannon	8½	8¾
Shoe Machinery	60	60
Trinity	9	10½
U. S. Steel	29⅞	30
U. S. Steel pref	93	93¼
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Baltimore & Ohio	101½	101¾
Brooklyn Transit	61¼	61½
Canadian Pacific	132	132¾
Ches. & Ohio	48⅛	48½
Chicago & Alton	43	43
Chicago, Great West	22⅜	22⅜
Colo. Fuel & Iron	45¾	47⅝
Consol. Gas	201¼	201
Delaware & Hudson	187	187
Erie	37½	37⅝
Erie 1st pfd	74¾	74⅞
Illinois Central	155	155⅜
Louisville & Nashville	140¼	140¾
Metropolitan	121¼	121¼
Mexican Central	20⅞	21
Missouri Pacific	106⅞	107¼
M., K. & Texas	31	31
M., K. & Texas pfd	63¼	63¼
New York Central	145¼	144⅝
Norfolk & Western	79	79⅛
Pennsylvania	138	138¼
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Southern Railway	35	35⅜
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You can imagine that if that deposit were to settle in the joint of your knee it would be extremely painful. And if the deposit grew, you could finally no longer endure the torture of walking.

Yet that is the very way that Rheumatism begins and ends. Except that the deposit which forms is not lime, but chrystalized poison!

For your blood is always full of poison—the poison you eat and drink and breathe into your system. It is the purpose of the blood to absorb and carry off this very poison. And the kidneys, which are the blood filters, are expected to cleanse the blood and send it back through the system clean to gather more poison which, they, in turn, will eliminate.

But sometimes the kidneys fail. And sometimes, from some cause or other the blood gets so full of poison that they cannot absorb it all. This is the start of Rheumatism. The poison accumulates and crystallizes. The blood carries the crystals and they increase in size. Then, when it can carry them no longer, it deposits them in a joint—on a bone—anywhere.

The twinge in your leg—the dull ache in your arm on a rainy day—these are the outward signs of the unseen crystals. And the twisted limbs and unspeakable anguish of the sufferer who has allowed his symptoms to go unheeded and unattended for years—these are the evidences of what Rheumatism, neglected, can do.

Rheumatism includes lumbago, sciatica, neuralgia, gout—for all these are the results of rheumatic poison in the blood.

Plainly, the first thing to do is to remove the poison. But this is not enough. The formation of the poison must be stopped, so that nature may have a chance to dissolve and eliminate the crystals which have already formed. Unless this is done there can be no cure—no permanent relief.

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JESSE BURKETT WILL WEAR A BOSTON UNIFORM IN 1905

Jesse Burkett, who has been playing ball with the St. Louis Browns since the inception of the American League, four years ago, has affixed his signature to a contract, and next season he will be seen in the garb of the Boston Champs.

This will give the Bostons a quartet of the finest outfielders in the business. There will be Al Selbach, Chick Stahl, Buck Freeman and last, but not least, Jesse Burkett. As it is only possible for three of the men to play the outfield, it is not at all unlikely that one of the present holders of outfield positions will lose his job.

Burkett was procured from St. Louis for a money consideration, along with George Stone, the Milwaukee player, who has been hailed as an embryo star. The deal whereby the Hub team was to get Burkett has been hanging fire ever since the closing days of last season. It has been frequently rumored that Burkett was coming to Boston, but it was not until Burkett came to Boston and saw President Taylor that the deal was consummated.

Fans all over the country who have made a hobby of studying ball players all their lives say the Bostons have procured a treasure in Burkett. He is considered one of the finest artists that ever wore spangles. During his career on the ball field he has played about every position, not even barring pitching.

Burkett acqured the greater part of his reputation as a hitter. He has been playing major league baseball since 1889 and has always been clouting the ball to more or less advantage. In '95 he led the National League in batting, being the only player swatting the ball for over .400. He had a mark of .423, and was many points to the good of Ed Delahanty, Willie Keeler and other stars.

Burkett's important engagements have been with the Cleveland and St. Louis teams, of the National League, and the Browns, of the American League. During his entire career on the diamond his ability has been unquestioned. He is just as much at home on the field as at the social functions at which he shines when he is off duty. The reason attributed to Hedges's desire to get rid of Burkett was that he is a high-priced player.

Burkett says he is highly pleased that he has been able to get a berth with the local team. Jesse lives in Worcester and he says it will be decidedly novel to go home after the game. President John I. Taylor says that he would liked to have given young Stone a chance, but couldn't under the circumstances.

WESTERN ATHLETES IN B. A. A. GAME

HAHN. ROSE.

Ralph Rose, the giant athlete, and Archie Hahn, the sprinter, both from the University of Michigan, may come East to take part in the Boston Athletic Association games at Mechanics' building, February 11. Should Rose compete it's likely that new figures for the shot put indoors will be created, while a race between Hahn and Schick of Harvard would be a most interesting feature.

[illegible]GUE

Special to th[illegible]

NEW YORK, De[illegible] for the team and indivi[illegible] and for a continuance of th[illegible] meets between the members were made at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association in the Plaza Hotel. There was a negative vote on the applications for membership of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Michigan, but the applications may be considered favorably next year. At this time it was not deemed wise to increase the membership, but the Massachusetts Institute of Technology was admitted to the schedule of dual meets.

It was decided to hold the championship competitions on Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25, in the salle d'armes of the New York Athletic Club. Both the team and individual titles are now held by West Point, although Kinnicutt, the individual [illegible] no longer at the Military [illegible] Lawrence, of Yale, the president, was in the chair at the meeting. B. O. Frick, secretary and treasurer, represented the University of Pennsylvania; W. McCleod, Harvard; C. L. Gols, Columbia; F. C. Brundage, Cornell; H. G. Knox and L. W. Townsend, Annapolis, and E. B. Barber and L. A. Kunzig, West Point. The officers were reelected, and it was voted to make no change in the conditions of the championships.

A few dates were closed for matches in the dual college series in this order:

Feb. 4—Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Columbia and Pennsylvania at West Point.
Feb. 11—Columbia at West Point.
Feb. 17—Cornell at Columbia.
Feb. 18—Cornell at West Point.
Feb. 25—Columbia at Annapolis, Yale at West Point, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Harvard.
March 3—Pennsylvania at Columbia and Cornell at Harvard.
March 10—Cornell at Annapolis.
March 13—Yale at Columbia.

BILLIARD CHAMPS IN FINAL MATCH

It will be the final game in the New England championship Class A billiard tournament at the Hub Parlors to-night, when Charles Threshie and William Paige come together in the last match to settle the question of superiority. These men are tied for the top of the list, and their match decides the title holder of the present series of games that have been on during the month.

Threshie is the recognized champion, and holds two legs on the cup offered by a big billiard firm, and only wants one more win to become the permanent possessor of the trophy. If he succeeds in beating Paige to-night, then Paige may turn around and challenge him for the cup, and his eligibility will come before the committee who selects the opponent with whom Threshie will defend his title. Parker, who is in the present tournament, has already registered his challenge, and the selection will be made shortly. If Threshie goes to Chicago to enter the tournament, then the challenge match will be held back till his return. According to the rules the challenge match must be played off in thirty days after the match is arranged.

Charles Threshie, the champion 18-inch balkline billiard player of New England, may represent this section in the big tournament that will be held in Chicago shortly.

When seen last night Mr. Threshie said: "I hope to be able to play in the tournament, but will not decide for a few days. I have just received my invitation, but cannot say definitely whether I will be able to get away.

"My chances? Oh, I guess I will be able to hold my own, as I have played several of the men that are likely to enter, and ought to keep in the race."

The match to-night promises to bring out the finest billiards that have been seen in this city for some time.

Paige is the strongest opponent Threshie has confronted for some years.

While recognized as a past master in his speciality and a slight favorite, he will have to extend himself as he never did, as Paige holds the phenomenal record of a run of seventy, made a week ago, which shows the calibre of the game he is putting up. Experts who have followed his playing think he has great possibilities, as he is constantly showing improvement and consistency.

MOWATT HURLS DEFI AT BRITT

BY TOMMY MOWATT,
Pride of the Stock Yards.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Jimmy Britt did exactly as I expected he would do. He whipped Nelson good and soundly. This demonstrates, I think, that Nelson's victory over Corbett was something in the nature of a fluke, inasmuch as Corbett was not then in proper condition for a hard fight.

I bet $500 on Britt, getting even money, and as I listened to the report of the fight by rounds as it came over the American's leased wire direct from the ringside there was never a time when I thought that I could lose my money. Britt won all the way and galloped in the easiest kind of a winner.

Nelson put up a game fight, however, and he deserves all the credit that will be given to him. He is a stout-hearted boy and seems to be able to take an awful beating without feeling it. In Britt he simply met a boxer who was too clever for him.

I have challenged the winner, and if I get a chance to go on with him I think I will take the championship away from James Edward Britt.

WON'T RETAIN JERRY DELANEY

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Jerry Delaney will not coach the track team at Northwestern University next Spring. This statement was made in Evanston to-day by members of the Athletic Board of Control. The statement was received with bad grace by the students, with whom Delaney is popular and who recently signed a petition asking the board to retain him as trainer of all the Northwestern athletes.

Delaney is well known in the East as he coached at Colgate, Phillips Exeter and in Worcester, his home.

He came to Northwestern from the East in the Fall of 1903 upon the recommendation of Coach McCormick, who was just then taking charge of football at the Methodist school. After bringing the football men through a hard season, Delaney was appointed track coach. The track team failed to materialize for the conference meet, but this was blamed more to lack of material than to the failure of the coach.

"Dixie" Fleager, captain of the 1903 football team, is said to be a candidate for the position of track and baseball coach at Northwestern.

SANDY READY TO GO WEST

Marvin Hart need not want for a match while he tarries on the Pacific Slope, for if Kid McCoy sidesteps him and he refuses to meet Jack Johnson because of his aversion to the colored brigade, then he need only to whisper Sandy Ferguson's name and the Chelsea Giant will take the next express train to the coast and be ready to battle the pride of Kentucky and prove conclusively that he (Hart) is no fit candidate to dispute Champion Jeffries for the heavyweight title.

Says Alec MacLean, Sandy's manager, "I notice that Hart can't get any matches on the coast and is talking about returning to the East. Now, I will take Ferguson out to California at short notice and fight him at his (Hart's) own terms. Hart seems to ignore my efforts to put Ferguson against him and may have good reason to, as I am confident that he wants none of the big fellow's game, but at that he can't get away from me, for I am satisfied that between Ferguson and Hart depends the naming of the next opponent for Jeffries to tackle."

JOHNSON MAY FIGHT HART

By Boston American Leased Wire.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Alex Greggains, of the San Francisco A. C., says that the next battle at his club will probably be between Marvin Hart and Jack Johnson, the colored heavyweight. They both weigh in the neighborhood of 200 pounds, and they should put up a slashing fight. Greggains believes that the winner of this bout will be in line to meet Jeff.

BRITT LIKELY TO MEET WHITE

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Word has been received here from Jimmy Britt that he would be perfectly willing to meet Jabez White for the lightweight championship of the world. Charley Mitchell has just gone over to England to see if he can't persuade the Britisher to visit this country and meet Britt.

SIELOFF WON FURIOUS BOUT

Special to the Boston American.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 28.—Charley Coffey's ability to assimilate punishment was the only thing that prevented his knockout at the hands of Otto Sieloff, who received the decision after ten rounds of fast battling. The Brooklynite finished strong, but Sieloff's lead was too great to make the decision at all doubtful.

GANS' DEFI TO BRITT

By Boston American Leased Wire.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Al Hereford, who is at present in this city, has challenged Jimmy Britt, in behalf of Joe Gans, for another battle, outside of California. Hereford will guarantee a $20,000 purse, and a $5,000 purse, if the fight takes place in Baltimore. Gans still claims the lightweight title.

NELSON CHARGE IS DISMISSED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Battling Nelson's charge of embezzlement against his manager, Teddy Murphy and Eddie Santry, has been dismissed, because the Dane has been laboring under a missapprehension of facts, as he told the court. The money in the property clerk's hands was produced and Nelson received $6,901 and Murphy $2,100, according to arrangement.

TANNEHILL TO SIGN AGAIN

President John I. Taylor, of the Boston American Club, announces that he has received word from Jesse Tannehill, that his terms proffered to the famous southpaw for next season are entirely satisfactory. "Tanny's" contract is expected in the mail at any time.

O'REILLEY TO BE DIRECTOR

Followers of athletics in this city learn with pleasure of John O'Reilley's, of South Boston, appointment, as athletic director of the Boston Schools, which has been made by the school committee. For the past few years O'Reilley has been coaching several high school baseball and football teams around Boston. He was at one time a crack athlete himself, playing on Brown and Holy Cross teams.

Passing Events IN THE *World of Sport*

BY A. H. C. MITCHELL.

Once a follower of the harness horses becomes interested in the thoroughbred game it is good-by to the harness horse with him. We used to enjoy sailing little toy boats on a pond when we were very small boys, but as we grew older the toy boats lost their charm and we wanted the real thing. So, in a way, it is with harness racing and thoroughbred racing.

It is said by those who ought to know that neither sport can succeed from a financial standpoint without the betting adjunct. On the race track they have their bookmakers and on the trotting track they have their pool selling. Leaving aside the gambling end of the business, however, and coming down to the pure pleasure of the thing, it is a fact that you find many persons deserting the trotting tracks for those of the thoroughbred, and none going the other way.

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The reason for this, of course, lies with the trotting men themselves. They insist on running things as they have been run since the first trotting track was built. In order to accomplish the slightest change for the better one has to accomplish it with an axe. Their system is wrong from beginning to end. Any other business in the world, if conducted the way the trotting business is conducted, would have died from dry rot years ago.

They refuse to make things pleasant for the casual racegoer, and the occasional visitor refuses to become a "regular." As long as there are men to be found who are willing to race year after year for their own money it is supposed that harness racing will go on in the same old way. But if they want to make any headway with the public they will have to begin reforming right and left.

The latest harness horse man to go over to the runners is Mr. Smathers, who has had success enough on the trotting track to make any man feel proud. But Mr. Smathers had a touch of the thoroughbred game a year or two ago and liked it so well that he has sold all his famous trotters and pacers and has bought a big stable of two-year-olds that will race on the metropolitan tracks next season. And the latest rumor is that Ed Geers, the "silent man of the sulky," will also forsake the harness horses and train Mr. Smathers's thoroughbreds.

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This, however, may turn out to be untrue, but there is no doubt that if Geers is anywhere near as clever with the runners as he has been with the harness horses he can make twice the money. John E. Madden, the "wizard of the turf," was originally a trotting-horse man, but he saw the possibilities of the thoroughbred game, got into it and made a fortune. There are numerous other men who have made a change for the better in a similar way.

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If Geers trains for Smathers no end of interest will be attached to his efforts. His work will be hard, but not nearly so hard as he has been accustomed to. He will not have to move bag and baggage once a week and drive his horses after training them. He will have time to enjoy an afternoon's sport instead of driving five, ten or fifteen heats, with an unfinished race or two and be ready to get into his sulky at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. And he will be well paid for his trouble with the thoroughbreds, for good trainers of thoroughbreds are mighty well paid. If he makes a success of it he will look back at the years he spent in the harness racing business and say: "What a fool I was, to be sure"—that is, if the "silent man" says anything at all.

MURPHY TO MEET TUCKER

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Tommy Murphy, the great little fighter of this city, and Chick Tucker, the hard-hitting lad of the Avonia I. C., will be matched in a few days to meet in a six-round bout before the National A. C., of Philadelphia, within three weeks.

Johnny Oliver, manager of Murphy, has consented to let Murphy fight Tucker, and as the terms of the match are satisfactory to the managers of both fighters it is safe to say there will be no delay in the signing of the articles of agreement.

According to the conditions the boys will fight at 122 pounds weigh in at the ringside. A forfeit of $500 will be posted when the match is made as a guarantee that the boys will make the required weight. This bout will doubtless attract an immense crowd to the Quaker City as both boys have a host of followers in this vicinity.

BROKE WINDOW ON A WAGER

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 28.—One of the most absurb wagers ever made in this city was payed to-day when Walter Cretchley deliberately smashed a valuable plate glass window in front of a store. The incident caused much consternation in the vicinity, but probably the most surprised man in the place was the proprietor.

When questioned as to why he had smashed the window Gretchly calmly claimed that he had made a wager with Mr. Wilson, proprietor of the store, that "Battling" Nelson would win the fight with Jimmy Britt, agreeing if Nelson lost to smash the window in front of Wilson's establishment and pay for a new one. Wilson, however, did not think that Cretchley would keep the wager. Had Wilson lost it would have been up to him to pave Cretchley's front and back yards with bricks.

DICK COOLEY SHINES AS STAGE STAR

There's a bit of the old diamond stuff at the Old Howard this week as Dick Cooley is on deck with his stage sketch that he threatened all last Summer he would do and show the fans that he could do the thespian act as well as pull down the long flies that sail out in the offing at the South End Grounds.

Clad in the regular Boston suit, the same togs that decorated his perfect figure during the diamond season, he looked ready to trot across the field to the shadow of the railroad fence. His partners in the sketch are Harry Mayo and Nick Parker, who impersonate a rare specimen of the score card boy and a fly cop. The open scene shows the Polo grounds in New York with Nick Parker, the score card dispenser, highly excited over the progress of the game between New York and Boston, and Harry Mayo, the slick copper, takes an active interest, too. It's the last inning, with two out, and Mike Donlin, the heavy swatter, at the bat, and the result of the contest hanging on the result of his effort. He clouts the ball to far left and Cooley, after a desperate run clear to the entrance of the field, captures it by a mighty leap in the air. He runs onto the stage with the ball grasped in his glove and tosses it to the youngster of score card fame amid a storm of applause.

The next scene shifts to Cooley's hotel, where he finds an invitation awaiting him to join a little social gathering in the evening. He sits down at the piano and begins to rehearse a few of his favorites in the song line.

Here is where Dick makes a hit, as his rag-time warbles and his own flashy picking on the ivories shows his versatile talent at entertaining. He tears off a few bars of those familiar coon songs, like "Seminole," "Jim Judge," "Abraham" and "Get the Money." Encores follow each other in rapid succession and Dick would have to stay at the keyboard indefinitely if his auditors had their way.

When Dick gets an opening the others join him and there is some bright business thrown in that catches the crowd.

Dick is asked to have a drink. His eloquent denunciation that ball players never partake catches the crowd.

Then the trio hitches up for a few strains of harmony which is something fine in the melodious stripe.

"It's great business," said Actor Dick in his dressing room, "but it makes me sore because my voice is off several notches, as I caught cold coming up from Philadelphia and I wanted to be at my very best when I struck the Hub. We are certainly making a hit all along the line and after going West I hope we will be able to make a return trip and play here. Our season will last well into the Spring and I will be busy till baseball starts up again. From Boston we take in the New England cities and then jump out West."

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ATTELL OFF FOR CHICAGO.

Special to the Boston American.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Monte Attell, who knocked out Jimmy Regan in seventeen rounds, has left this city for Chicago to prepare for his meeting with Jimmy Welsh of Boston. The only thing that may possibly hinder the bout is the weight question.

ENGLISH PUG MAKING GOOD OVER HERE

Sam Harris, the English boy who was seen here for the first time last Monday night and made quick work of Ben Du-Barry of Providence and then went down to Portsmouth and pulled off a similar trick on Young Lewis of Philadelphia, looks to be about the real article among the boys in his class around here.

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Al. Francis of Everett wants to meet Kid Wright or Kid Terrill before some club.

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Manager E. F. Goff is willing to match Luther Manules of Providence against Kid McCoy of Manchester, N. H., and will be at the BOSTON AMERICAN at 7 o'clock to complete arrangements with McCoy or any other fighter.

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Terry McGovern opened in his new play, "For Fame and Fortune," at Allentown, Pa., and soon will be seen at the New Star Theatre in New York. The play is in four acts, by Hal Reid. It is built upon the prize ring career of McGovern. One of the scenes is laid in the Hotel Metropole, and depicts the making of the match between McGovern and Pedlar Palmer.

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Harry Gilman wants to get back in the ring and give Young Duffy of East Boston a chance to reverse the decision that he holds over the Noddle Islander. Gilman will be ready for business in a couple of weeks.

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After an absence of a year Dave Deshler, of Cambridge, is back in the game, and is willing to meet any of the 130-pound boys in New England. Deshler is booked to meet Billy Glover, of South Boston, at the next meeting of the Cambridge A. A.

Billy Davis, the featherweight, is still after matches, and would like to meet Harry Gilman, or he will take on any of the boys at 115 or 117 pounds.

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Willie Lewis, the lightweight fighter, has been matched to fight Mike Ward, of Michigan, for ten rounds, at a show to be brought off at Mt. Clemens on January 12.

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Tommy Moran, the fighting Irishman, of Brooklyn, who is open to take on any of the 133-pound men in the game, Jimmy Briggs, of Chelsea, or Jig Stone, of Charlestown, preferred, is doing light training in Brooklyn.

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Nate Lewis, the Chicago manager, says: "Jimmy Gardner is the greatest boy of his weight in the world. Jack O'Keefe deserves a world of credit for staying with him for eleven rounds, which is more than other opponents have been able to do.

"Gardner deserves all the credit that is coming to him, for he is a good, honest boy. When he came to Chicago last Winter I matched him to fight Mike Ward before the Ninth Ward Guards. The men were to fight for fifty per cent of the gate. It was a bad night and there was only $520 in the house.

"I went to Gardner in his dressing room and told him that the house was so small that he needn't go on if he didn't feel like it, that I wouldn't think of holding the $100 forfeit that he had posted for appearance.

"Jimmy turned to me and said:

"'Mr. Lewis, I wouldn't think of disappointing the people. If there were only two people here who had paid to see me fight I'd go on and fight.'

"If Jimmy meets Britt I'll string every penny I have on Gardner. I'd like to see him matched with 'Honey' Mellody, too. That would make a great battle."

JEFF WOULD GIVE MARVIN A CHANCE

Special to the Boston American.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 28.—Billy Delaney said to-day that he was glad that Jack Johnson was about to be matched with Marvin Hart, because if the latter wins from the colored man, he will stand a splendid chance of procuring a bout with Jim Jeffries. Delaney, who is the trainer of Jeff, knows pretty well the plans of the big fellow, and says that just as soon as any man shows himself worthy he will be given a chance.

"I know it is pretty tough barring Johnson from a match with Jeff. That he is a negro is no fault of his, but it seems to be one of the written laws that negroes should not meet white men any way, as far as Jeff is concerned. Black men should fight among themselves, as should white folk.

"Jeff is doing a great business in his drama, 'Davy Crockett,' and the way he puts his arm through the bolt, and bars the door, so that two hungry wolves won't catch him, nightly wins him great applause. Of course Jeff likes acting, but somehow or other he likes fighting better."

WALCOTT MAY REFEREE.

LACONIA, N. H., Dec. 28.—Central New Hampshire followers of the boxing game have resurrected the sport, and arranged a match between Harry Powers, of Lincoln, and John Chamfeau, of Plymouth, to take place here January 21. The bout is carded for ten rounds to a decision. The managers have been in communication with Joe Walcott to act as referee.

MAY PLAY BIG GAME.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The managers of the Corinthian team of London and New York Association football teams of this city have been in correspondence for some time, and it is likely that an international match will be played here next season under association football rules.

BOWLERS WILL GO TO NATIONAL MEET

BY TEN STRIKE.

MATCHES TO-NIGHT.

Mystic Valley League—Melrose at 999th A. A.
Massachusetts Interclub League—Newtowne at Towanda.
City Candle League—City Hall at Webster; St. James at Carruth; Hub at Murray & Irwin; Boylston at Somerset; Rexford at McCarthy.
Trust Company League—American Loan vs. Puritan; State Street vs. Commonwealth; Beacon vs. New England; Boston Safe vs. Federal.
Commercial League—Federal vs. Emerson; South Shore vs. Curtis.
Telephone League—Auditor vs. Equipment, Construction vs. Maintenance.

Samuel Karpf, secretary of the American Bowling Congress, has reached Chicago, after a tour of the West and Pacific Coast. Karpf brings back with him reports that Denver and Omaha in the West and New York and Pittsburg in the East are candidates for 1906, while Spokane has taken the precaution to ask for the 1907 affair.

"From the way the bowlers all over the country are falling in line I look for at least 1,700 clubs to be represented in the business meeting of the Congress," says Secretary Karpf. "That will mean 170 votes, and proves that switching from the league idea to clubs was a wise one. Since I have been away I have succeeded in establishing sixteen chapters for the Congress. Spokane had the most clubs in line, eighteen signing the list. The smallest was at Portland, where they have four clubs.

"The national meet at Milwaukee is going to be the most representative one we ever had, and the West will be strong in the play. Kansas City gave me the entries of four five-men teams, while Omaha promises three, including the Excelsiors, who rolled 1,180 in league competition last Spring. Denver will have three teams, including Julian Bliss's famous Democrats. Butte, Mont.; Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Salt Lake and Ogden each promise a five-man team, while Spokane says it will send two of them. Two-men teams are entered from Bismarck, S. D.; Billings, Mont., and Ogden, Utah.

"I am going to make the same kind of a tour through the East and the South, and expect to do fully as well as I did on my Western trip."

At the meeting of New York bowling alley owners, at the Hotel Victoria, sentiment was unanimously in favor of bidding for the national tournament of the American Bowling Congress in that city in 1906. All were of the opinion that such a tournament would be of interest to the city, and voted to recommend to the New York Bowling Association that the delegates attending the annual meeting of the American Bowling Congress, at Milwaukee, put forth their best efforts to secure the tournament. Should the delegates be successful in landing the event it will be the first competition of its kind held here. It is believed that the city will have over 100 representatives at the meeting in Milwaukee.

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How many Boston bowlers will there be on hand at Milwaukee when the tournament opens?

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When Arlington Boat Club and Charlestown Club meet on the latter's alleys tonight there will be something doing from the drop of the hat. At present both teams are tied for first place.

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Captain Corcoran although one of, if not the oldest roller in this city, is doing some fine work of late. The way he was flooring the pins last night was worth going miles to see.

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The candlepin matches in the Mystic Valley League begin Monday, January 2, with Calumet at Old Belfry; Glendon at Towanda, and Central at 999th A. A. It looks at present as though it would be a great fight for the pennant.

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Chapter CXXVI.—Continued.

SHE tried to cry out. It seemed to her that she heard a voice screaming, "Help, help!" and that the sound came from her own lips. But there was no response, and after a moment she knew that this, too, was but a delusion. She was incapable of uttering a word.

Circles of light began to play before her eyes, and the reality of her surroundings to fade. Why should she struggle when the land to which she was going was so full of charm? How foolish she had been to resist. The world was a hateful world, but there she could forget.

Strange, arabesque figures floated upon the wall—the room became a vast temple of gold and red. Esther's tense limbs were relaxed in a sense of delicious lassitude.

Lilian found herself unable to sleep that night. The day had been so full of events, so exciting to the mind, that she could not compose her brain to rest. And there was the proposed campaign to think out as well; often she had told herself that she would be better prepared for this if she could but sleep a little while, yet her mental admonitions had no effect unless it were to make her feel more wide awake.

She rose from her bed at last, slipped her dressing gown over her shoulders, and switched on the electric light. Then she sat down at her little escritoire and began to write. It would be well, so she told herself, to have a plain statement in writing of her own experience at Adderley, so that every point might be made clear to Edgar Swan and to Basil Fleetwood when their first meeting was called. It was a long job, and the more she wrote the more she marvelled at the extraordinary events of which Adderley had been the scene. Her own meeting with Grimstead and Cyril Clare—she commenced her record with this, and with the name of Grimstead she made her first marginal note.

"Grimstead"—so she wrote—"attorney to the late John Borradale, is in full possession of the secret of the Borradale family. The affairs of Adderley entrusted to him. On John Borradale's death reported as much or as little as he thought necessary to the widow. Confided the secret to Harold on the night of Harold's wedding to Esther. Is a man whose reputation as a lawyer is not good. Can he be forced to speak?"

In reference to Cyril Clare she made a second note.

"What is the origin of this name of Clare taken by all three of Mr. Borradale's elder sons? The three elder sons were unacknowledged. Query: What evidence is there that these three were undoubtedly the sons of John Borradale and Amelia, his wife?

Lilian found that her progress was slow and that it took her considerable time to collect her thoughts. It was constantly necessary, too, to pause for the purpose of making notes of points which required elucidation. She wrote of her sister's unhappy infatuation for Cyril, of her flight from Italy and irregular marriage at Adderley; of the subsequent events in which she herself had taken part, and of the general organization of the Adderley establishment. She felt very anxious to express herself clearly; she would have liked to draw up a plan of Adderley Grange and Manor with the secret passage communicating between the two houses.

"I shall have to make things very clear to them," she muttered to herself, "or they will never understand. Yet, superficially speaking, things seem clear enough. John Borradale desired to hide the existence of his three sons from the world. It is probable that these three were born during the half-dozen years that he and Mrs. Borradale were travelling abroad. He sends them to America and places them in charge of Grimstead. Adderley appears the most suitable place for their confinement, and accordingly Adderley is fitted up for the purpose. Not very far away there is a real [illegible]vate asylum, Dr. French's, but it would never have done to send the children there, for all sorts of inquiries would naturally have been made. It is possible, however, [illegible]at Dr. French was taken into part confi[illegible]. This done, it seems that John Borradale and his wife returned to Helm. Harold is born to them, and he alone is acknowledged as the legitimate son and heir—probably because he is free from the obvious defects of the other children, and, even had this not been the case, the fact of his being born at Helm rendered concealment useless."

She paused, pen in hand. "That is how this part of the problem appears on the surface," she reflected. "The question is, if we are accurate in our deductions, how do we know that those three children were legitimate? It was always said so at Adderley, and the whole concealment was ascribed to the Curse—but it is proof we want now, not hazy statements. Certainly Mrs. Borradale knew of the existence of the three brothers Clare, for Grimstead used constantly to make his reports to her, but I never heard that she directly acknowledged them as her sons."

Lilian's pen flew quicker over the paper. "This is the first subject to which we must turn our attention," she mused. "In what exact relation did the three brothers Clare stand to John Borradale?"

Engrossed in her topic, she wrote on and on, putting questions and answering them to the best of her ability, examining evidence, forming deductions, and noting down points that might be elucidated. The desire to sleep had completely deserted her; her brain was peculiarly active. All was now still in the house, and at that hour of the morning there was no traffic outside.

She was writing of Esther's midnight marriage, and of the extraordinary substitution of Basil Fleetwood for Basil Clare—was it a coincidence that their Christian names were alike?—when a slight sound upon the landing without caused her to start back in her chair.

Who could be moving about in the house at this time of night? Or had she been mistaken? She listened intently.

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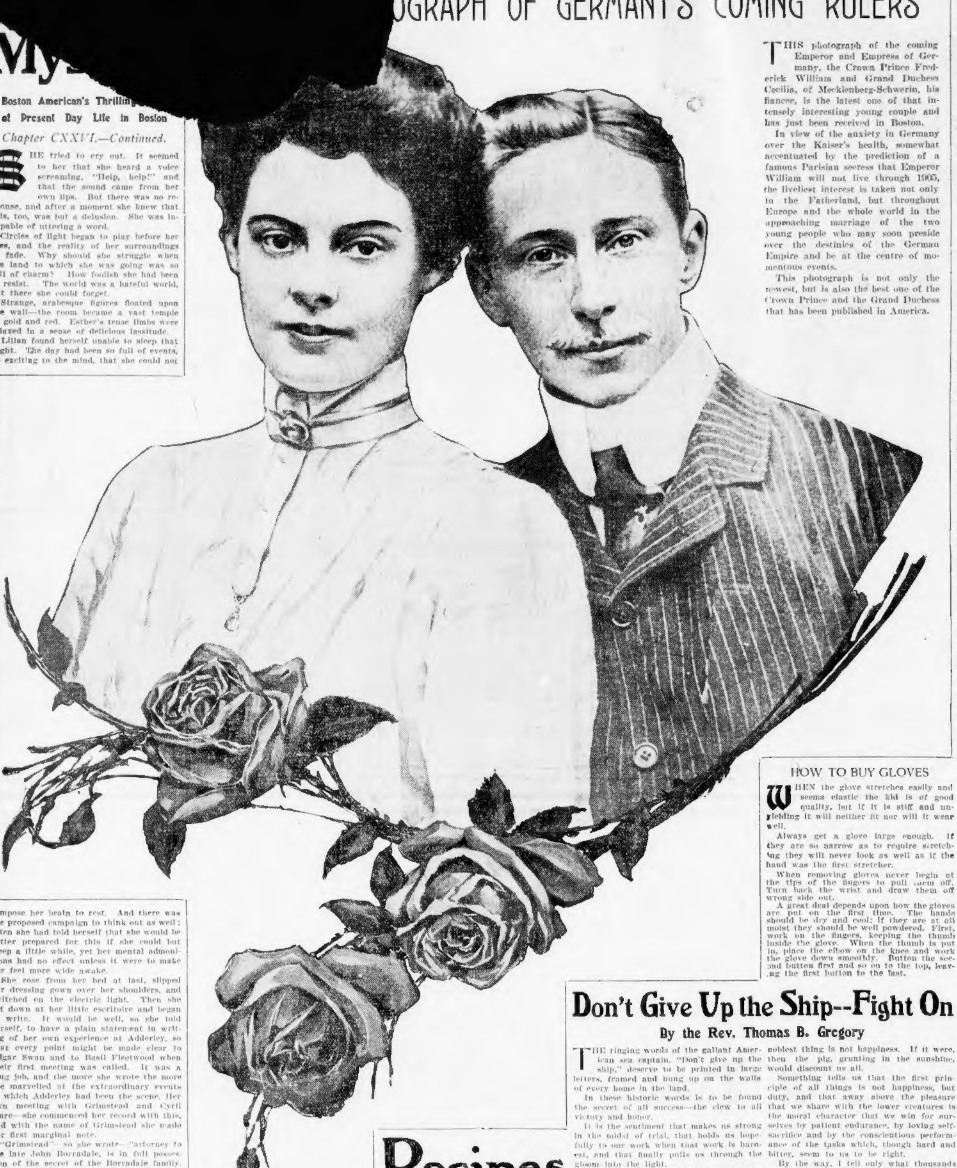
OGRAPH OF GERMANY'S COMING RULERS



THIS photograph of the coming Emperor and Empress of Germany, the Crown Prince Frederick William and Grand Duchess Cecilia, of Mecklenberg-Schwerin, his fiancee, is the latest one of that intensely interesting young couple and has just been received in Boston.

In view of the anxiety in Germany over the Kaiser's health, somewhat accentuated by the prediction of a famous Parisian seeress that Emperor William will not live through 1905, the liveliest interest is taken not only in the Fatherland, but throughout Europe and the whole world in the approaching marriage of the two young people who may soon preside over the destinies of the German Empire and be at the centre of momentous events.

This photograph is not only the newest, but is also the best one of the Crown Prince and the Grand Duchess that has been published in America.

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Woman's Gossip Mild and Inane Compared To That of the Pessimistic Male Tattler

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THERE exists in every large city (and indeed in every village community) a type of man who is rapidly growing into a class—the male gossip.

In the city this class is composed mainly of bachelors past middle life, or of divorced husbands; men who have in some way become disillusioned with the world, usually through their own experiences, and who in consequence look upon humanity through diseased eyes.

Sitting evening after evening in clubs, restaurants and hotels, these cynics indulge in pessimistic criticisms of men and women in general and of their friends and acquaintances in particular. They repeat, improvise and imagine tales of evildoing in society and in the world of art.

Scores of scandals, which are told by women over tea tables, have originated with the male gossip and have drifted from the club room to the drawing room.

The gossip of women is mild and inane compared with the gossip of such men. Just as a man's intellect, when at its best, is more virile and forceful than that of the brightest woman, so his criticisms are more baleful and vicious when his mental powers turn into the channel of scandal.

There is no more dangerous type of man to be found in society than one who has lived homeless and tieless and devoid of any purpose greater than money making and pleasure in a large city for a half century.

There are always weak, selfish and vain women to aid such men to the loss of their ideals; and without the anchor of wholesome home life it is easy for the amusement-seeking man of the world to belive that the dirty or mercenary wives of some of his acquaintances are the typical women of society at large and to find himself before forty-five far out on the sea of cynicism with no beacon light of hope in view.

One of these cynical bachelors at a dinner table forgot that he was not in clubdom and scored the self-supporting woman who had divorced her husband, for good reasons, in the home of her friend.

Nothing in the way of blackening gossip which could be said of a woman was left unspoken. Not wishing to make a scene in the presence of her guests, the hostess was obliged to wait until a comma had been reached in the man's discourse, when she quietly begged him to change his topic, as his remarks were offensive to her as well as being absolutely untrue.

Still another man gossip related to a bevy of ladies the damaging reports he had heard of a foolish and mercenary young woman who had grown tired of respectable toil and exchanged it for adventure in the domain of Eros.

Just why any man can take this attitude toward woman and retain his self respect is a puzzling psychological problem.

One would think a strong, able-bodied man, independent of the world to that degree which his sex insures, ought to fall dead with shame before he had finished a scandalous story of any kind about a weak and erring woman.

One would think a man in almost any position in life ought to feel it a disgrace to his name and a stain upon his soul to blacken the character of any woman or turn the light of publicity upon her follies for the amusement of a gaping crowd.

We hear much of woman's jealous severity and unkindness to woman, but when the male gossip is abroad the female scandal monger retires to obscurity.

In one of the interior towns a girl who had forgotten discretion at the call of love, and was abandoned by the man who promised marriage only to betray, flung herself into the maelstrom of vicious life. A good woman, who had known her in church and Sunday school work, heard of her terrible fate, followed her into the gilded halls of folly and rescued her. She sent her into another town, secured work for her, keeping in touch with her by letter and personal interest until the unhappy creature began to find bright hope, submerging black memory.

She was respected and loved by her employers, and the social life of church circles and the charitable work in connection occupied her leisure hours and saved her from retrospection. Then into the place of business where she was employed there came one day the man friend of her faithless lover.

Before this male gossip had left the building the dark page in the girl's life had been opened to the inspection of her employer and her associates, and that night the poor creature received her dismissal.

Again it was the woman friend who sustained her, found refuge and employment for her and to-day she is a happy wife and a devoted mother. Her story is known to the man who married her, and in a new home and new scenes she is building her life into usefulness and peace.

But what words exist in any language strong enough to describe the baseness of the miserable being who exhumed the skeleton of her old shame for the inspection of those who respected her.

As the heroine of Hawthorne's novel was made to wear the scarlet letter as a badge of her shame, so the Man Gossip should be made to wear his title branded upon his brow when once he has established his reputation as a scandal spreader.

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

HOW TO BUY GLOVES

WHEN the glove stretches easily and seems elastic the kid is of good quality, but if it is stiff and unyielding it will neither fit nor will it wear well.

Always get a glove large enough. If they are so narrow as to require stretching they will never look as well as if the hand was the first stretcher.

When removing gloves never begin at the tips of the fingers to pull them off. Turn back the wrist and draw them off wrong side out.

A great deal depends upon how the gloves are put on the first time. The hands should be dry and cool; if they are at all moist they should be well powdered. First, work on the fingers, keeping the thumb inside the glove. When the thumb is put in, place the elbow on the knee and work the glove down smoothly. Button the second button first and so on to the top, leaving the first button to the last.

Recipes

A French Loaf

To one quart of flour add one-half teaspoonful of salt and four tablespoonfuls of fresh butter. Cream the butter and flour as for sake, but do not wash the butter. Add the beaten eggs and flour gradually to the butter and flour, beat well, then add one tablespoonful of sugar, and last of all stir in three tablespoonfuls of yeast. Let it rise in a buttered mold, and when well risen bake in the same mold. It requires the same length of time to rise and bake as sally-lunn.

Russian Julienne Soup

Cut into strips, celery root, a carrot, a turnip, an onion, and a quarter of a small cabbage, and then cut up into fine bits fresh mushrooms to an amount equal to all the other vegetables. Fry the onion in a little butter, without coloring, then put in more butter, considerable more, add the other vegetables, cover the saucepan tightly and let simmer till the cabbage is tender. Add then three pints or two quarts of good stock, let cook slowly for half an hour or longer, and serve with tiny croquettes made of chicken, which should be added at the verey last instant.

Whipped Potatoes

Instead of mashing in the ordinary way, whip with a folk until light and dry; then whip in a little melted butter, some milk, and salt to taste, whipping rapidly until creamy. Pile as lightly and irregularly as you can in a hot dish.

Cheese Biscuit

Spread a layer of puff paste with some grated cheese and a little cayenne, double up the paste, roll it out rather thin, and cut it with a small round pastry cutter. Glaze with the white of an egg, lay them on a floured tin, and bake in a quick oven to a pale straw color.

Custard Pie

Heat two cups of milk and add a rounding tablespoon of flour, made smooth in a little cold milk. Cool and add three well beaten eggs, two rounding tablespoons of sugar and a half teaspoon of lemon flavorsugar and a half teaspoon of lemon flavoring. Line a plate with good paste and fill. Bake in a slow oven.

Don't Give Up the Ship--Fight On

By the Rev. Thomas B. Gregory

THE ringing words of the gallant American sea captain, "Don't give up the ship," deserve to be printed in large letters, framed and hung up on the walls of every home in the land.

In these historic words is to be found the secret of all success—the clew to all victory and honor.

It is the sentiment that makes us strong in the midst of trial, that holds us hopefully to our work when that work is hardest, and that finally pulls us through the gloom into the light.

"Don't give up the ship!" Let her sink, if she must; but until she goes down fight her for all she is worth. Don't surrender!

The way Captain Lawrence felt about his good ship is the way every one of us should feel about the life that has been given to us. It is ours to love, honor and cherish, to protect, defend and make the most of, and not to despise or, in some moment of timidity, to cowardly desert.

As Captain Lawrence stuck by his ship, so should every one of us stick by his life, dying, if we have to, but not by our own hand.

The large and steadily increasing number of suicides proclaims, only too clearly, the fact that there is a large falling off in the reverence with which our existence was one time invested.

In the days of old the idea obtained that life was a trust, that it involved certain high moral obligations, and in the fulfilling of those obligations men endured to the last ditch without once thinking of slipping away through the gate of suicide.

Now, however, it is becoming quite fashionable to laugh at the "canon 'gainst self-slaughter," and to fling life away as though it were a mere bauble.

More and more is the idea prevailing that it is "nobody's business" what one does with his life. If he wants to hang on to it, well and good; if he wants to cast it off, it is his own affair, with which no one else has the right to meddle.

And more and more, again, is the idea gaining ground that the worth or worthlessness of life is to be determined by the amount of pleasure it is able to give us.

The unpleasant existence—the existence that means struggle, trouble, the battle shock and the wounds and wariness that go along with it—"doesn't pay." Such existence is a "burden," a "curse," which only the "weak" and the "superstitous" will persist in holding on to.

It is the greatest and most degraded and degrading lie that ever got itself into the human mind!

Happiness, in its way and place, is all right, and far be it from me to speak a word against it; but the highest and noblest thing is not happiness. If it were, then the pig, grunting in the sunshine, would discount us all.

Something tells us that the first principle of all things is not happiness, but duty, and that away above the pleasure that we share with the lower creatures is the moral character that we win for ourselves by patient endurance, by loving self-sacrifice and by the conscientious performance of the tasks which, though hard and bitter, seem to us to be right.

By the way, I tell only what thousands of the grandest men and women on earth know to be entirely ture when I declare that it is in these very hard and bitter experiences that we find life's noblest lessons and the means of winning life's richest prizes.

Down in the darkness, fighting the demons that would destroy you—down there in the gloom and misery, with the grinning devils all about you thicker than leaves in Vallombrosa—down there is the place where you are to catch your first real glimpse of eternal truth and beauty.

"Trouble?" Don't be afraid of it. Tackle it, wrestle with it—and, with a grim, unconquerable earnestness, keep on wrestling with it until you overcome it and stand up strong with the strength of victory.

"Don't give up the ship!" Is she sinking—let her sink, but while she floats keep on fighting her!

It is never too late to fight—which reminds us of the words of another sea captain—John Paul Jones.

It will be remembered that along toward the close of the ever-memorable battle between the Bon Homme Richard and the Serapis, when the Richard seemed to be sinking, and her deck and sides and masts were on fire, and her dead far outnumbered the living, the British commander called out to Jones to know if he was ready to surrender. Like a flash of lightning through the battle smoke went back the proud reply: "Surrender! H——! I've just begun to fight!"

That is the spirit with which to face trouble! When the way seems dark, and, looking ahead, you can see no light, don't lie down and die—fight and live, and by and by you will get to the light.

And that light will be all the brighter for the darkness through which you have fought your bitter way, step by step, blow by blow, to victory.

HER TRAVELLING NEEDS.

THE experienced traveller has in her suit case an old towel (to throw away at the end of the journey) to clean the face after using cold cream, her own cake of soap (in suitable box), comb, brush, tooth brush and manicure pieces, small whisk broom, silk hat bag, dark silk dressing robe (to slip over pajamas or night dress while going from the toilet room to berth), slippers, face cream, tooth wash, powder, half a dozen fresh kerchiefs, veil and two or three turnover collars, collapsible drinking cup, fountain pen or pencil, stamped envelopes and writing pad, with a fresh pair of stockings, extra gloves and pins.

Advice to the Lovelorn

By Beatrice Fairfax

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I have known a girl for most all my life. We had been born and brought up in the same locality and had been sweethearts from the time we were ten. We had all plans made and everything fixed when she died. Now, can a fellow take it in a natural way? It seems as though it were impossible. At times I feel as if I had nothing more to live for. All ambition has gone out of me and I can hardly realize just yet what has happened.

W. B.

I AM deeply sorry for you and can offer you small solace, save that time will be the best healer. I know you feel that the whole joy has gone out of living, but, believe me, time will work wonders. Hard work is the best cure for a sore heart.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

My son is engaged to a girl who works downtown all day. He has his own business and is obliged to keep his store open until late in the evening.

After this girl finishes her work downtown she comes to his store and stays there until he closes. Then, at any time between 11 p. m. and 1 a. m. he and she come back here and expect me to prepare a supper or luncheon. They disturb me, of course, and disturb my husband, who is an invalid.

When they don't come here they go to the girl's home and disturb her mother and father in the same way.

They say they can't help it, but I say that my son is selfish. Will you give me some advice as to how to act?

A MOTHER.

I THINK that both your son and his fiancee are extremely selfish, but why do you put up with it? You are not obliged to do their bidding. Next time they order you to get supper for them, refuse to do so. Both you and the girl's parents are acting very foolishly in allowing them to behave in such a way. Tell them that if they want supper they must get it for themselves. The more you do the more they will demand. It is entirely a wrong state of affairs, and should be stopped at once.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I have read your good advice in the columns of the BOSTON AMERICAN, so I thought I would ask you to help me. I am a girl of seventeen years. About two months ago I fell in love with a young man three years my senior, who seems to think a great deal of me. The trouble is this: He is of a different religion and my parents object to my having anything to do with him for that reason, this being their only objection. I have been with him quite a lot and he seems to be a perfect gentleman in every respect. What shall I do?

Fitchburg. SWEETHEART.

I THINK I would do as my parents request. You are very young and will meet a great many young men in the next few years. A difference in religion does not necessarily make a bar to happy marriage, but unless the matter is settled for all time before marriage, it is sure to cause a great deal of unhappiness in the end. Why not try to keep the young man out of your mind altogether for a while and see if it has any effect. Of course, if you are sure that you love him, I should not let religion stand in the way, providing the question is thoroughly discussed and disposed of.

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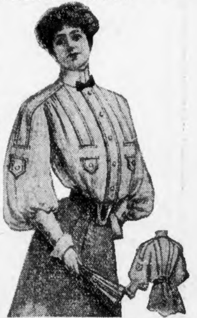

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By Henry L. Merritt.

After much browsing around in various pastures, variously labelled and including about everything from romantic comedy to Shakespeare, Mr. Nat C. Goodwin has at last found his own field again, for "The Usurper," which he gave for the first time in Boston on Monday, at the Colonial Theatre, provides him with just the kind of a part that suits him or, at any rate, just suits his audiences.

John Maddox is not a great part—Mr. Goodwin has played many better—but not since his Chauncy Short in "The Gilded Fool" has he struck one so admirably fitted to that element in his personality which people like the best. It is the kind of part that he plays, not better than anything else, but better than anyone else.

Ghost in the Tower Chamber.

They call Maddox "The Usurper" because he hires a castle in England and reigns there in place of its rightful lord, incidentally hiring the presence of his lordship and family, which includes a young and attractive cousin. Maddox, who is an American, had met the girl in Dakota ten years before, when he was a cowboy and poor. Now he is a mine owner and a millionaire, but in all the ten years he kept the image of the girl, whom, by the way, he had pulled out of a river or something of that sort, warm in his heart; and his hiring of the castle is a part of his scheme to win her.

There is a villain, whose villainy, however, consists mostly of a disposition and some deeds in the past, and to the villain the girl is betrothed. Of course, before the play is over, the betrothal ceases and a new one is brought about and in rather an ingenious fashion too. Incidental to the coming about of these things, there is a scene in a tower chamber which is credited with a ghost, in which for a whole act only three characters appear, Maddox, the girl and a hiding murderer. A confession by the latter, after a cleverly devised and somewhat melodramatic scene, smooths the way for the American's triumph in the heart of the girl.

The story of the play is light enough, but it is ingeniously wrought and a number of the situations are handled with a good deal of skill. Perhaps it would not be much of a play without Goodwin in it, but that is a question that need not be considered, for Goodwin is in it. And it is entertaining, which is the main thing. In fact, it is very entertaining. You can hardly fail to enjoy it. The dialogue is decidedly clever and there are plenty of bright lines. Most of the latter fall to Goodwin, as a matter of course. In a case where time counts, some one says: "But that only gives us twelve hours." It doesn't daunt Maddox. "The world turns half way round in twelve hours," he says. Here are some of his speeches: "Being cheered up by a ghost is not exactly my idea of wild hilarity." "Do you know what E Pluribus Unum means? It means—all in a bunch." "It was a fool's paradise—that's why I felt at home in it, I suppose."

Ruth Mackay Is Charming.

Maddox, as played by Mr. Goodwin, is just the sort of chap you like to think of as representing this country in England, for he is a real, typical American. With no reverence but plenty of respect for the British aristocacy, he pursues his way and goes straight for what he wants, and gets it. He has been a cowboy and his money is new to him, but he wears his wealth with the same ease he would ride a horse. He is essentially natural and is in every way just the sort of man Goodwin would be sure to play delightfully. And Goodwin does. He acts with his characteristic sureness and deftness, and reveals the depths that lie beneath the outward seeming of lightness.

Ruth Mackay plays the girl very charmingly and cleverly. Felix Edwards gives an admirable and convincing performance as the murderer. W. H. Post does a fine character bit as a Scotland Yard man, and Neil O'Brien is excellent as a butler. Ellie Norwood gives a careful character portrayal as the villain, and Norman Tharp is really clever in the light comedy role of a young English lord. Georgie Mendum gives a striking character performance as an American typewriter girl, and Flora Parker is sweet and charming in an ingenue role. Edna Faron, who was summoned at short notice on Monday to take the part of Margaret Quentin in place of Ethel Beale, who is ill, does more than creditably under the circumstances.

RUTH MACKAY AND NAT GOODWIN IN ACT I.

NEW LIBRARIAN AT WORCESTER

WORCESTER, Dec. 28.—Robert K. Shaw, librarian of the Brockton Free Public Library, has been elected assistant librarian of the Worcester Free Public Library. Mr. Shaw is a Harvard graduate, and has held positions in the New York State Library and in the Congressional Library.

WITHINGTON NAMED

NEWBURYPORT, Dec. 28.—Mayor Carens has appointed Arthur Withington license commissioner to succeed William Holker.

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NEWS OF THE THEATRES

A strong list of attractions is scheduled at the Boston Theatre. "'Way Down East" will be immediately followed by Rejane, the famous French actress, and her Parisian company, and other coming features are "The Two Orphans," with the all-star cast; "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," "Quincy Adams Sawyer," the Conreid Metropolitan Opera Company, Chauncey Olcott, and Brady and Grismer's big revival of the famous Bartley Campbell play, "Siberia."

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The four Mortons, who come to Keith's next week, will then play their last vaudeville engagement in this city. At the expiration of their present contracts, the quartet is to appear in a musical comedy on the order of those formerly given by the four Cohans.

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E. R. Phillips, who plays Whittiker, the wind-mill drummer, in "The County Chairman," was formerly a member of the stock company at the Bowdoin Square Theatre, where he played leading roles in the productions made there for two seasons.

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George Fuller Golden will be one of the star features at Music Hall next week. It will probably be the last appearance of the famous monologist in this city for some time, as he intends leaving almost immediately after for a six months' tour of Australia.

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Hilda Spong made one of the longest jumps in theatrical history at the beginning of the season. She went all the way from London to San Francisco to take part in the first presentation of "Joseph Entangled," which Henry Miller made there.

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Cecilia Loftus is one of the coming attractions at the Colonial Theatre. She appears to have scored a big success in "The Serio-Comic Governess," the Zangwill play, in which she is appearing this season.

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According to the programme as announced, there will be no matinee at the Hollis to-day, but it has been decided to give Wednesday afternoon performances during the remainder of the engagement of the Rogers brothers.

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"The Tenderfoot" was first presented April 12, 1903, almost two years ago, and has been given without any interruption since. During that time Richard Carle, the star, has taken less than four weeks' vacation, and most of the members of the company have had none at all.

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John Drew will follow the Rogers brothers at the Hollis. He will be seen in "The Duke of Killicrankie," which was written by the author of "The Royal Family," and which everybody says is one of the most delightful plays that has been seen in ages.

MAIL CLERKS' AID BRINGS JOY

The happiest little girl to be found about Boston is ten-year-old Mabel Fitzgerald, of No. 48 North street, Newton Centre, for not only did she receive a goodly store of Christmas presents, but had her belief in Santa Claus, which had been wavering sadly, renewed beyond the possibility of a doubt.

In answer to a letter which she had written to good old Santa and mailed unstamped in the Newton Centre postoffice, requesting "A pair of shoes, size 13, two pairs of stockings, size 7, a hat with a red ribbon, and a doll," she received by way of the letter carrier all of those articles and several more beside.

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The Camel's God Has Two Humps

Dr. Lyman Abbott Has a Different God. But the Camel Knows as Much About it as Dr. Abbott

The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott has been telling the world what he thinks of God—what he thinks God IS.

The views are interesting—almost as interesting as if we could hear a red ant give his opinion of the Flatiron building in New York City, or get a mud turtle's explanation of a limited express train.

Man—since his advent on this earth—has spent a great deal of time explaining and defining God.

He has always looked within **HIMSELF** for his explanation, and he has invariably attributed to God **HIS OWN HUMAN QUALITIES.**

A wise old Greek—belonging to a race just completing one of the innumerable little spirals of human development—told his listeners that if the camels had a god, that god would possess two humps and four legs.

Unquestionably the god of the porcupines would have quills, and the lobster god would have pincers.

Man gives to his god **HIS OWN** qualities—and Dr. Abbott simply follows the old rule in attributing to the divinity the result of his own highest thought.

Simple-minded men of early times created a simple-minded god.

When Dante, a wandering outcast—and the first writer of good newspaper style—was putting his enemies in hell and his friends or patrons in heaven—**REVENGEFUL** men had in their minds a **REVENGEFUL** god.

They interpreted the words "vengeance is mine, saith the Lord, I will repay," to mean that God actually had a feeling of revenge, that He **LOVED** revenge.

A man deeply religious declared that God reserved vengeance to himself because vengeance was "too delicate a morsel for any but himself."

Dante describes God as "hugging vengeance in delight to his bosom."

"Vengeance is mine" means to us now that God reserves the right to punish—punish man for man's own good and according to laws that are eternal, unchangeable and beneficent.

Over the door of hell—where hope was left behind and where desperate souls gnawed at one another's skulls or rolled in boiling pitch—Dante's imagination read these words:

> *Justice was the motive of my exalted Maker;*
> *I was made by divine power, by consummate wisdom, and by PRIMAL LOVE.*

We no longer imagine "Divine Love" burning and boiling helpless creatures through all eternity and enjoying their sufferings.

Yet Dante, in creating such a god, simply expressed in that god his own self, just as Dr. Abbott now gives expression to Dr. Abbott in **HIS IDEA OF GOD**, and just as men will always create for themselves a god that is simply an elaborate **REPRODUCTION** of themselves.

There is one interesting thing about the god newly created and launched by Dr. Abbott. Men are changing a little. Instead of imagining a god that is like them **PHYSICALLY**, they begin to invent a god that is like them **MENTALLY.**

The old material man had a material god. He thought that god was like himself, revengeful, cruel, shaped like a man, physically as well as mentally.

Now man goes dreaming off into feeble intellectual speculations, and he creates a dreamy, speculative god.

Spinoza did ably—long years ago—just what Dr. Abbott is now doing feebly.

Shelley in a letter written in 1812, talked of God and used Dr. Abbott's own phrase, "The First Cause."

> *I believe that "God" is another signification for "the Universe"—how are we to arrive at a First Cause—Southey agrees in my idea of Deity—the mass of infinite intelligence, etc.*

While men delighted in their **PHYSICAL** powers they had a physical god, a god of battle and revenge.

Now that they begin to delight in their abstract, intellectual powers, they are beginning to devise an abstract, intellectual god, and to invent queer names for him in plenty, such as—to quote Dr. Abbott—"One, Great, Eternal, Underlying Cause, a Great Energy, an Intelligent Energy."

Little man is very funny in his efforts to name and to classify that which utterly escapes his possibilities of comprehension.

Sometimes he is harmful as well as funny because his speculations may disturb the calm faith that makes others happy.

But those who hold the old faith need not worry about Dr. Abbott or his speculations. No abstract thinking or talking will shake the faith based on the life of Christ and on His death. The world has just celebrated the birth of One who combined the spiritual and the physical: One who lived for others, taught them abstractly and concretely, giving them laws to last forever—and in the end giving His **MATERIAL LIFE** to save them, as he had devoted his intellectual life to teaching them.

At the bottom of the ocean—where light never penetrates—where all is to-day as it was a hundred thousand years ago, life exists and is protected and planned for.

Billions of miles off in space suns roll on their journeys—and those journeys are marked out and planned for them.

The wisdom that directs the tiniest creature in the depths of the sea controls the harmonious suns that fill infinite space.

Who shall define, or limit, or COMPREHEND that power above us?

What childishness it is that seeks to know the unknowable!

All we can know is that justice and kindness rule us. All we can do is to imitate—in our own little lives and our own feeble way—the example that is set us.

The firefly cannot understand the sun or define the sun's energy. But he CAN be a good firefly and give what little light is in him.

Man cannot define God or understand Divine Wisdom. But he can use and display what little wisdom is in him.

Dr. Abbott is a firefly trying to tell his fellows about the sun. It is harmless, intellectual exercise. That is all.

Such efforts will be made until the sun "is dark, and silent is the moon, hid in her vacant interlunar cave." And THEN we shall know no more about BEGINNING or END than we know now.

We must cease to finite be before we can hope to comprehend the infinite.

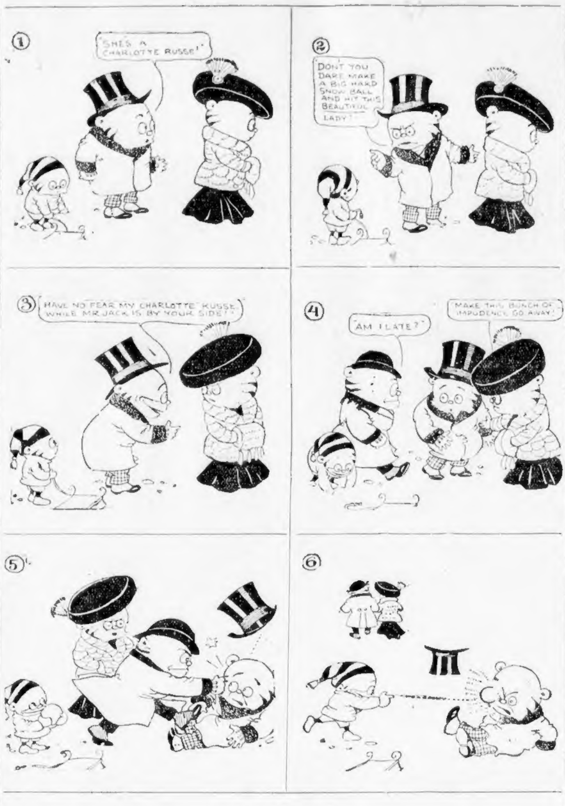
OPPRESSIVE GOVERNMENTS LEAD TO IGNORANCE

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

Seeing a letter in your paper signed by E. A. Dime, commending the action of the Vermont Legislature in the Rogers case, I would like to ask Mr. Dime if he really believes what he says. If he has ever read history, he must know that in countries where rulers and laws have been the most oppressive the people, as a rule, have been ignorant. He quotes the French Revolution as an instance of laxity in government. Rather was it not caused by an overbearing and domineering nobility?

Roxbury. HARRY FIELDS.

MR. JACK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"SHE'S A CHARLOTTE RUSSE!"
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"DON'T YOU DARE MAKE A BIG HARD SNOW BALL AND HIT THIS BEAUTIFUL LADY!"
③
"HAVE NO FEAR MY CHARLOTTE RUSSE WHILE MR. JACK IS BY YOUR SIDE!"
④
"AM I LATE?"
"MAKE THIS BUNCH OF IMPUDENCE GO AWAY!"
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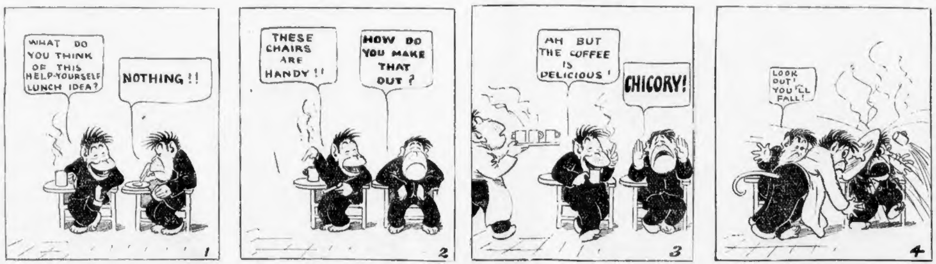
He Meets a Charlotte Russe

MRS. HAMMER MEETS MRS. CROWBAR

1. MRS. CROWBAR—What do you think, dear. Mr. Crowbar is going to give me a sable stole and muff for New Years (Aside—She will die of envy.)

2. MRS. HAMMER—Oh, Mrs. Crowbar, how fortunate I met you. I have been puzzling to know what to get my cook. You have suggested the very thing. I'll get her a sable muff and stole. Oh, how can I thank you enough, dear?

KNOCKO THE MONK


WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS HELP-YOURSELF LUNCH IDEA?
NOTHING!!
1
THESE CHAIRS ARE HANDY!!
HOW DO YOU MAKE THAT OUT?
2
AH BUT THE COFFEE IS DELICIOUS!
CHICORY!
3
LOOK OUT! YOU'LL FALL!
4

He Has Trouble With a Quick Lunch

A Parable of Holiday Gifts

By Belle Blitz.

AND it came to pass, even as it is herein written. In the morning, while it was still early, the woman arose from her couch and apparelled herself in purple and in fine linen; yea, in velvet and sealskin, and at breakfast time she said to her husband:

"Lo, the season of the year hath now arrived when we must give the thing that we cannot afford to him who wanteth it not, and remember those that we are glad to forget the balance of the year. Turn over to me, therefore, thy pocketbook and put within it much scrip, for to-day I go forth to purchase Christmas presents for your brethren and sistren, and for mine, and for our aunts-in-law and our cousins-in-law and for our maid servants, and for those higher up whom we would fain conciliate with gifts, for, behold, it is the custom of the country, and if we follow it not we shall be considered pikers."

"At hearing this the man groaned heavily, for it pained him grievously to be parted from his pelf."

At hearing this the man groaned heavily, in great travil of spirit, for it pained him grievously to be parted from his pelf, but he perceived that his wife's words were words of wisdom that could not be gainsaid, and so he did as he was bidden.

Thus armed, the woman set forth to a department store, where she flopped aimlessly around, not knowing whether she was bound or what she wanted to buy, even as a hen floppeth whose head hath been severed by the cook; but at length, perceiving that others of her kind were struggling around the bargain counter, she butted in and fought valiantly with the horde, even to the going down of the sun.

And the woman purchased:

An umbrella of Tyrian dye and near-silk manufacture that she wrested from another woman who also desired it.

A liquor set that the clerk, who belonged to the tribe of retail grafters and prevaricators, swore unto her had been marked down from ten sheckles to eight.

A psalter.

A mandolin.

A necktie, whose hues were like unto Joseph's coat of many colors.

A set of Emerson's Essays, the covers whereof were cunningly inscribed in green and gold.

And a fifty-dollar vase of the kind known as a varze.

At length, when it was so dark that she could not longer see, the woman returned to her home with her garments rent and torn by the fray, and gathering her purchases about her she looked upon them with wonder and amazement, and inquired of her soul, "What made me do it?" But, being a wise woman she took counsel with herself, and said:

"I will present the umbrella to my mother-in-law. It is true she hath been bed-ridden these many years, and hath no use for an umbrella, but this little token of affection will show her that I thought of her.

"And I will make offering of the liquor set to my aunt, who belongeth to the strictest set of the Prohibitionists who looketh neither upon the wine when it is red nor harkeneth to the highball when it balleth; but surely she cannot fail to be pleased at being remembered at this happy season.

"And the psalter I will present to my pastor, whose heart will be made glad by having another copy of a book of which he already possesses nine hundred and nienty-nine fac-similes.

"And the mandolin I will bestow upon my brother who knoweth how to play naught but the races. The necktie I will bestow upon my husband. I fear he will not like it, but as he never likes anything, anyway, it doth not matter, and my cook will surely sing for joy at the set of Emerson, which would look well in a library if she only had one.

"She returned to her home with her garments rent and torn by the fray."

"And the varze, for whose purchase I shall have to cut down the grocery bill, I shall present to my rich neighbor, in the hope that she will requite me by sending me something even more expensive.

"All of this has cost me much labor and weariness and money, but surely I shall have my reward, for on Christmas morning, when they receive my gifts, my friends will arise and call me blessed."

But did her friends do even as the woman had prophesied?

Nay, verily! What they said is written in the Book of Knockers.

Selah.

Winter Winds Are Blowing

By Harry B. Metcalf

THOUGH cold winds blow
And bleak the night,
My hearth's aglow,
My heart is light—

For home is cheer
'Neath love's sweet sway
Though earth be drear,
And skies be gray.

But, oh, for those
Who hapless roam;
Whom love ne'er knows—
Who have no home.

Little Editorials from the People

WARNS FALL RIVER MANUFACTURERS AGAINST THE SOUTH

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

In regard to the Fall River strike I want to say that the manufacturers of Fall River are making the mistake of their lives, for if they succeed in forcing the reduction all of the other mills in the North will follow suit, and then, of course, the South will cut wages in the same proportion and then they are no better off and they have taken one-eighth of the purchasing power of the people away.

The people in the South can stand the same proportion of a reduction much better than we can, as rents, clothing, fuel and provisions cost about one-half of what they do in the North.

You hear people say we are far superior to Southern help. That is a mistake. To-day they can beat us, and ten years from now with the class of European help that is now coming we won't have a look-in, and New England will have to change over to woolens, silk, etc., or go out of business entirely.

Young men of intelligence and ability, take my advice and go South if you intend to follow the cotton business. If not get out of the mill, if you have to go farming, as that pays much better and is much more healthy than the mills.

Suncook, N. H. TRAVELLER.

A POEM FOR DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:

Massachusetts has been foremost in offering aid and assistance in her country's cause, and now that the daughters of the nation's heroes and martyrs are raising a monument to their glory and valor, she will not be found wanting in her contributios of loving appreciation to the memory of their efforts.

America has reason to be proud of its sons and daughters. Worthy children have they proven, of fearless and forceful sires—holding the nation's reputation in a reverence that has made death preferable to dishonor. Of such stock are the Daughters of the American Revolution. The blood of heroes in their veins, and the love of liberty and justice in their hearts, find expression to-day in the beautiful structure their willing hands are raising from the ashes of a severed discord, to typify in its beauty and massiveness, the grander and more lasting unity of independence without slavery, and the justice of universal freedom, irrespective of race or color.

COLUMBIA'S DAUGHTERS.

Arise fair Columbia, assemble thy daughters,
The patriot blood that has tinted their veins
Will respond as their sires when the first cloud of danger
That threatened our country, loomed black o'er the plains.
Though Peace stands beside us, and spreads her broad mantle
From ocean to ocean, from mountain to sea,
With hand clasped in hand, and forever united,
We'll forge a new link that shall bind us to thee.

No more from his mountain nest sweeps the bold eagle,
To hurl forth defiance on red clouds of war,
But perched on our standard with wings softly drooping,
Beholds at thy mandate, thy daughters appear.
Fair Liberty stands the proud priestess of freedom,
Where gleams the pure altar with valor aflame,
And holds in her hands in proud welcome extended,
The sceptre of peace, and the laurel of fame.

Thy footsteps attended with wisdom and virtue,
Shall leave a fair impress time ne'er can efface,
The folds of thy garments shall sweep from the hill tops
And lowliest valleys of treason each trace.
Then up, for thy brothers are waiting to greet thee,
Once more round the altar thy pledges renew,
While Fame scribes the name in a halo of glory,
Columbia's Daughters, the peerless and true.

MRS. N. M. DAVOL, D. A. R.,
Quequechan Chapter, Fall River, Mass.